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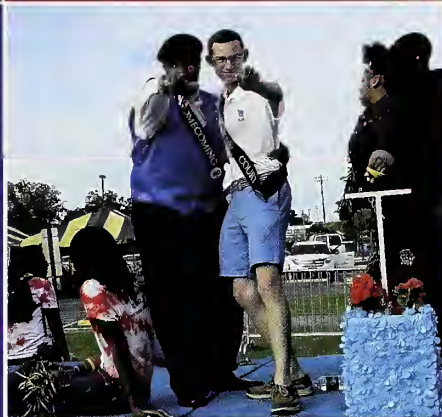
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UNCP:

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke unites its students under the common causes of learning and development of who they are as people. While many colleges do this, we are unique in the diversity of the student body we unite. Students come to UNCP from different backgrounds, races, religions, sexual orientations, political views, and much more. Despite the differences among our students, they are unique in just how accepting they are of everyone. Students accept and celebrate how we are different. Instead of allowing difference to divide us, we use it to unite us.



The students featured on the cover—Kyeesha Massey, Sherry Jacobs, Divine Riechtkah, Justin Uleberg, Kameron Bradley, Mingyu Liao, Romy Pique, Oscar Rodriguez, Rebecca McCarthy, and Alicia Mauldin—stand in front of Pine Cottage.

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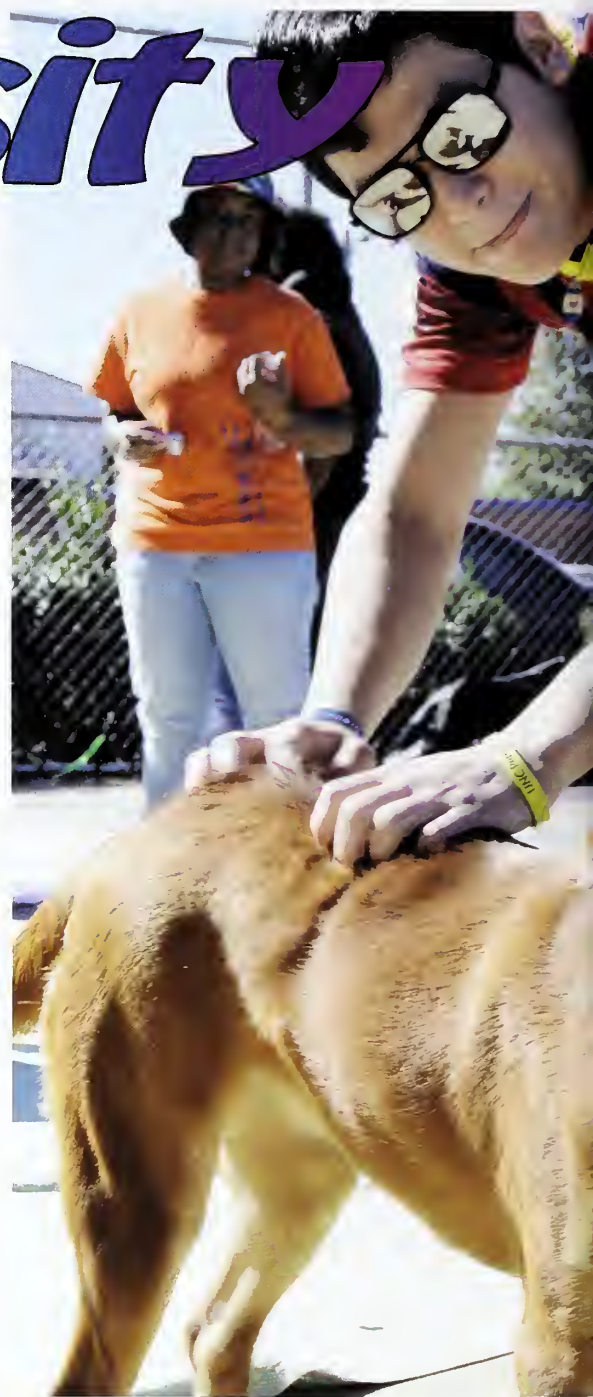


The cover photo collage, reprinted here in black white, represents not only the diversity in our students, but a diversity of activities as well.

Diversity

One of UNCP's most outstanding qualities is the diversity of its students.

While many universities claim to have a diverse student body, UNCP truly does. Students are from all walks of life. There are first generation college students, Native Americans, and students from throughout North Carolina and beyond. It is easy to spot the diversity of UNCP students; all anyone has to do is step outside or walk onto campus. Diversity is one of the main defining points of our university. Students who come here for any amount of time, from just one semester to four years or more, will experience this unique environment. This school welcomes people of all nationalities and cultures, introducing our students to the world. The uniting commonality that brings all the students together is their support of the school.





Student Manuel Mejia pets a dog at Pet Therapy Day, an event that allows students to interact with dogs and cats from a local animal shelter.

Chancellor Carter shakes the hand of veteran Candace Shearin in December 2014 at an event recognizing graduates for their military service.



Students play video games in the UC lounge. This is just one of the many activities that bring our students together outside of the classroom.

Chancellor and Mrs. Carter stand with the Lumbee Ambassadors before Convocation, an event that incorporates UNCP's Native American heritage.

This year UNCP has been filled with proactive students engaging in activities on and off campus. New traditions like the Lighting of Old Main were added to time-honored ones like Pembroke Day and Homecoming. From volunteering in the local community to attending social and cultural programs sponsored by student organizations, there was always something to do when not in class or studying.



Whether skateboarding or just walking, students stay active on our campus. When not outside enjoying a warm, sunny day, students gather in the UC to shoot pool or just hang out with friends.





Student Life



Music majors attend and perform a jazz combo routine at the grand opening of Pine Cottage.



The Pembroke community comes together to support Relay for Life in hopes of finding a cure for cancer.

Game Day in the UC allows students to share a little downtime outside of class.

Michael Simma participates in a Greek fundraiser to raise money for his fraternity.



Embrace Greatness



In April 2014, Earth Day celebrations included the grand opening of Pine Cottage, and many students, faculty, and staff were on hand to see Chancellor Kyle Carter cut the ribbon, followed by refreshments and music. Chancellor Carter said he could feel greatness emerging from Pine Cottage. "I felt like it is a special place from the first time I walked the property," he said. "We can only imagine how it will be used in the future. It's a beautiful place." Pine Cottage was given to UNCP in 2013 by Mary Lou Lowry and her son, Heyward, and during the months leading up to the opening, students Eric Hunt, Rebecca Stanton, and Vivian Levan won a contest to help design a space for students, which Hunt described as "a sanctuary for uninterrupted solitude." This beautiful six-acre addition to the campus has quickly become a campus attraction for its intricate landscape and beautiful architecture and will continue to maintain the UNCP theme of creativity, exploration, and local cultural embrace. There are many possibilities to ponder over about what place Pine Cottage will hold in the hearts of UNCP students and faculty in years to come.

One of the biggest events each April for this campus is Relay for Life. Student organizations and teams fundraise throughout the year, culminating in this 24-hour event—it is 24 hours because cancer never sleeps, so for one night neither will we. The event kicked off at 6 pm with a chariot race by the Greeks. Throughout the 24 hours, people walked a lap or more around the university lawn to show their support. A special event called the Survivor Lap features cancer survivors; another is the Caregiver Lap which is where the people who care for people with cancer do a lap. There is also the Team Lap, where all the teams who participated make a lap with their banners. This year's theme was Time Periods; every hour represented a different decade. During each time

Chancellor Carter cuts the ribbon to Pine Cottage with Miss UNCP Kelsey Cummings and outgoing SGA President Emily Ashley.

period, something special was done to represent that decade. During the 1920s, for example, the National Broadcasting Society did a movie in the old style of the 1920s. All the money raised goes to the American Cancer Society. This year \$25,271 was raised, with 43 teams and 346 students participating.



Students engage in a yoga routine to relax and destress.

Newly-elected SGA President BK Kassaw meets with a Zip Car representative to find out about this new service being introduced to our campus.

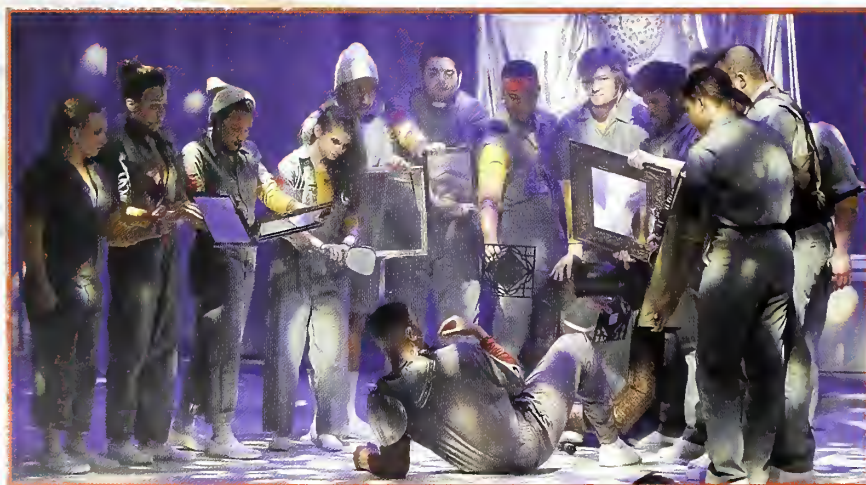
Making Dreams Possible

University Theater's production of *Man of La Mancha*—the Tony-award-winning musical with music by Mitch Leigh, lyrics by Joe Darion, and book by Dale Wasserman—wowed audiences in the GPAC from March 26 - 29, 2014. Based on the seventeenth-century classic *Don Quixote* by Miguel de Cervantes, the musical tells the story of a crazy old man who has read too many books on chivalry and thinks he is a knight, Don Quixote de La Mancha. With his servant Sancho Panza as his squire, he sets out to find adventures, mistaking windmills for giants and a rundown inn for a castle, where he meets the serving wench Aldonza and falls in love with her, imagining that she is the grand lady Dulcinea. Much further confusion ensues before Quixote finally returns to sanity. All of this happens as a play within the play, acted out by Cervantes and his fellow prisoners as they are in jail awaiting trial. In the UNCP production, those scenes were updated with a more modern look, but the "knights" and "ladies" in Quixote's fantasy all wore 17th century attire.

Directed by Hal Davis with musical direction by Tracy Thomas, the UNCP production featured a large cast, including Nygel Robinson, Nick Williams, Dalton Hoffer, Brandon McLean, Jessica Perry, Kiersten Adams, Taylor Graham, Morgan Pettigrew, Dorianna Curry, Stephen Shane, Scott Poage, Allyson Ivey, Leisha Jones, Laura Zatz, Vernon Brown, and Jazmine Jackson.

Quixote's niece Antonia (Allyson Ivey) prays that her uncle will be restored to sanity.

Quixote (Nygel Robinson) sings "The Impossible Dream," the musical's most iconic song.



Cast members surround the fallen Don Quixote with mirrors, forcing him to see his true self.

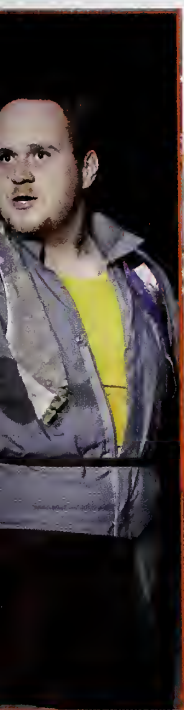
Mirrors cover the costume of Quixote's final opponent (Dorianna Curry)—actually the doctor who hopes to restore his sanity.





Prison guards look menacing in modern military attire, a contrast to the ancient armor worn by Quixote.

Actors play not just the knight and his "squire" Sancho Panza (Dalton Hoffer) but also Quixote's horse, Rocinante, and Panza's donkey, Dapple (Ieisha Jones and Jazmine Jackson).



Don Quixote (Nygel Robinson) pledges his love for "Dulcinea" (Kiersten Adams).

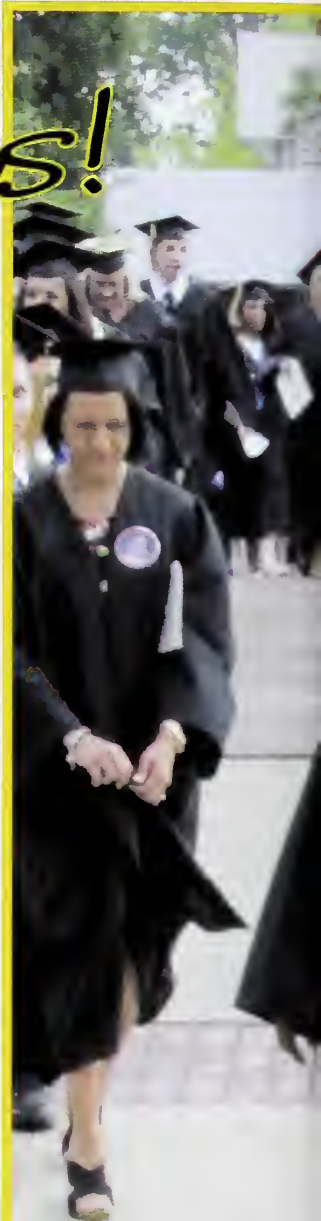
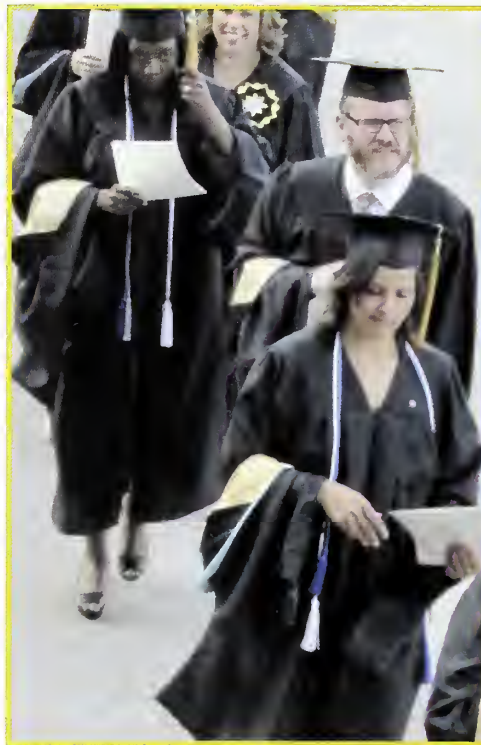
The Innkeeper (Taylor Graham) draws his sword as Sancho Panza (Dalton Hoffer) looks on.

Con-Grad-ulations!

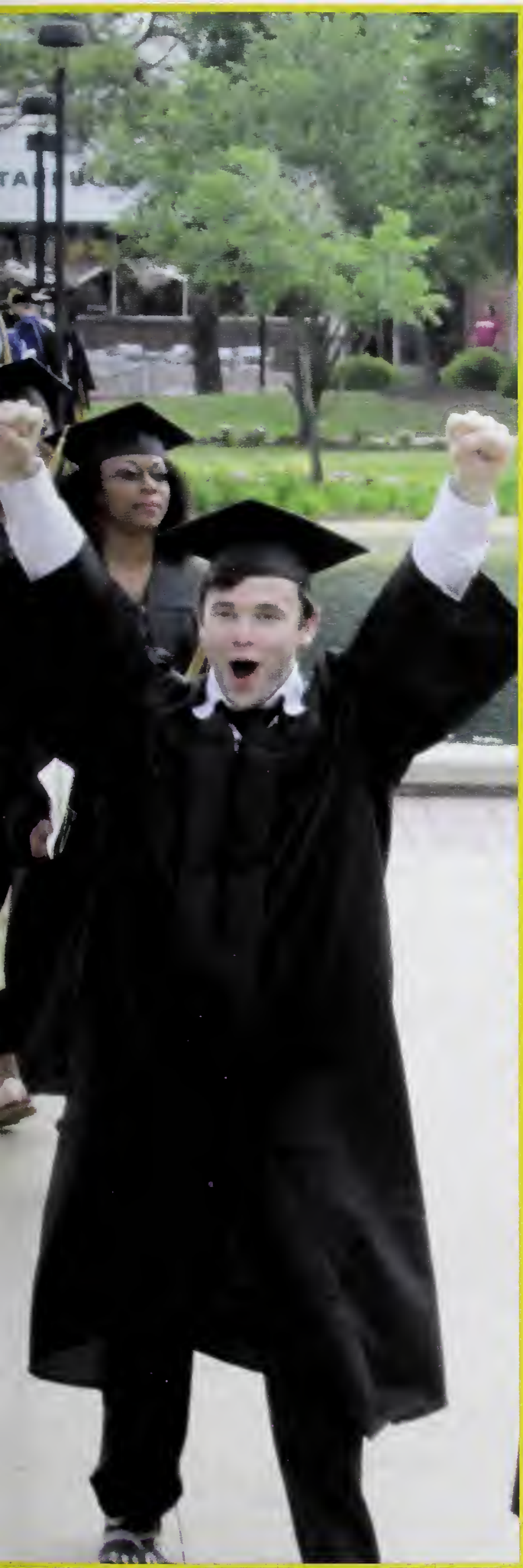
In two commencements on May 9-10, 2014, UNCP awarded degrees to 626 undergraduates and 157 graduate students. The Givens Performing Arts Center was nearly filled to its 1,600-seat capacity on Friday evening for the graduate ceremony. Under partly cloudy skies Saturday morning, a large crowd of nearly 6,000 attended the undergraduate ceremony. The long undergraduate processional streamed through the heart of campus across the bridge and into the Quad, the university's most historic ground. Commencement is just one bridge to cross in life, Chancellor Kyle R. Carter reminded the graduates. "I advise you to keep learning regardless of the instability and change of the future," Chancellor Carter said. "Education is the best insurance. You are the people who will adapt to and lead the change."

In his commencement address, UNC Pembroke graduate and U.S. Air Force Brigadier General Allen J. Jamerson gave graduates a short piece of advice that he hopes will stick with them: "Do what brung ya," he said. "There is something about each and every one of you that got you here today," Gen. Jamerson said. "Be true to who you are and build on that foundation." Gen. Jamerson offered his life and career as an example of the benefits of lifelong learning. He pondered what his life would have been like if he had not returned to Pembroke to earn a second undergraduate degree. "A degree is just a beginning, but Pembroke kick-started me on a mission to the stars – one that no one could have imagined," Gen. Jamerson said. "Today, you are taking a big step in building your reputation," he advised. "Do everything you can to protect that reputation. Be at your professional best all of the time – on duty or off duty; online or offline."

Graduate students make their way to GPAC to collect their master's degrees.



Undergraduates walk across the bridge to the 2014 spring graduation ceremony excited about future opportunities.



Depper Jensen, UNCP's BraveHawk mascot for two years in a row, is still leading the cheers as he makes his way towards the ceremony.

Alissa Smiley celebrates with her family shortly after receiving her diploma.



This graduate shakes hands with the Chancellor as he receives his diploma and hopes for a successful future.

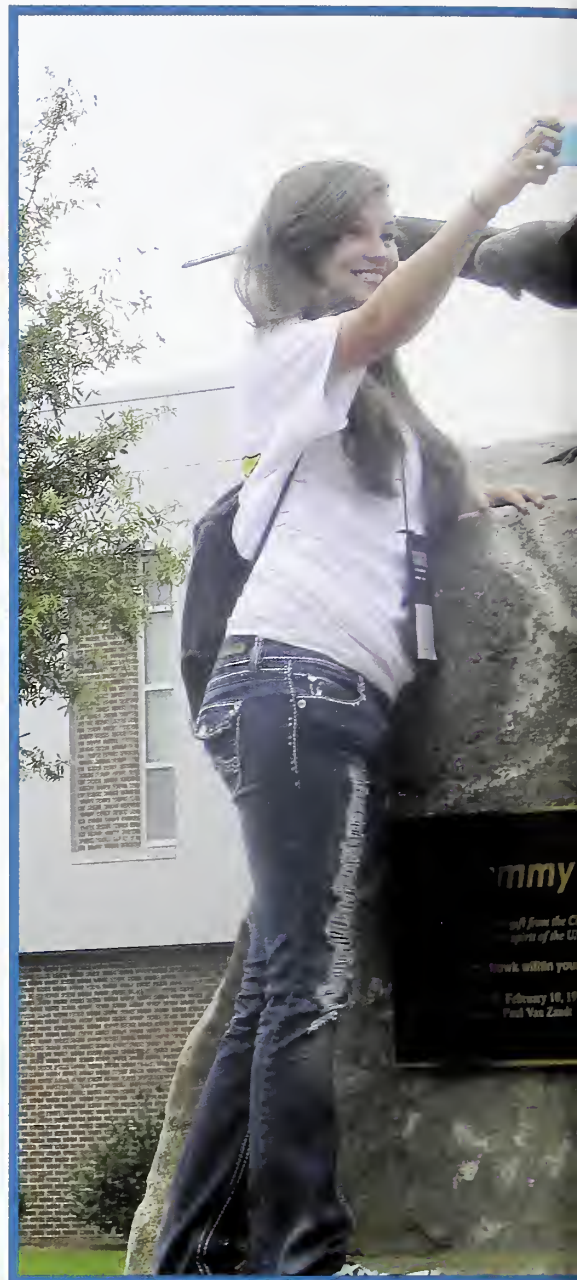
Summer Fun

Prospective students were introduced to our campus during programs held in six sessions from May through August 2014 by the Office of New Student and Family Orientation. These sessions were intended to ease the transition of our new students and their family members to the university. By participating in New Student Orientation, students became better prepared to begin their academic careers at UNC Pembroke. During these events, students had an opportunity to meet and interact with faculty, staff, Orientation Leaders, and other incoming students. They also participated in fun activities and toured the campus, with many stopping to take selfies along the way.

The first week in July is always the time for Lumbee Homecoming, which took place for the 46th time this year on June 28 through July 5, 2014. A Lumbee Outdoor Market featuring food and arts and crafts was set up on Prospect Road, right across from campus, and attracted students, community members, and visitors throughout the week. Other events during the week included games, pageants, the Julian T. Pierce Memorial Art Dinner, and a program on *Hail to UNCP!*, the 125-year history of the University, featuring authors Linda Oxendine and Lawrence Locklear. The week culminated on Saturday with the annual parade down Prospect Road, followed by an outdoor gospel concert and fireworks.

Throughout the summer, Summer Session classes were held, and many areas of campus were under construction. Belk Hall was renovated to create offices for Housing and Residence Life, which was scheduled to relocate there in the fall. The Moore Hall Auditorium also received a major facelift, with new seating and improved acoustics.

During freshman orientation, a freshman takes a quick selfie by the UNCP hawk.



Lumbee Ambassadors show off their traditional regalia in the 2014 Homecoming parade.





Construction on Belk Hall continues through the summer for office relocations and future residents.

Alpha Pi Omega sisters from UNCP ride in the Lumbee Homecoming parade.



Future Braves look around the UC while learning their way around campus.

New freshmen meet with their orientation leaders during the summer orientation.

Dan Kenney participates in UNCP's contribution to the Ice Bucket Challenge, which swept the country during fall of 2014, raising millions for ALS research.

UNCP students join the "Hands up, Don't shoot" movement, prompted by events in Ferguson, MO, to protest lives lost due to racial injustice.



Freshmen cross the bridge into Bravenation as they head to the Fall Convocation.

Halloween gives students an excuse to wear interesting costumes around campus.





Life As We Know It

Convocation week kicked off on Monday, August 18, 2014, with events and activities to welcome new freshmen and new student athletes to the Fall 2014 semester. The "Brave Walk" began in the Quad, as Chancellor and Mrs. Carter led hundreds of first-year students across the bridge over the water feature, symbolizing the new students' entrance into the UNCP community. Their destination was the GPAC for Convocation, which included remarks by Chancellor Carter and Provost Kenneth Kitts announcing goals to mark the start of the new school year. Other festivities during convocation week included the Chancellor's Dinner, the "Rock the Block Quad Party," "Hawk Fest," which involved music, fun, and freebies, and "Flix on the Bricks," a screening of *Captain America: The Winter Soldier*.

Later in the fall semester, UNCP's third annual Pet Therapy Day attracted more than 180 students, faculty, and staff. Along with fun, this event also encourages volunteering and offers an opportunity for stress-reduction, since numerous studies have linked spending time with animals to reduced stress levels. Senior Jordan Farry came for the first Pet Therapy Day three years ago and has been volunteering since. "I just love them all," she said. Other students were considering adopting a pet. Alexis Locklear,

This student has fun with one of the furry friends brought to campus by the Humane Society for Pet Therapy Day.

who was shooting video for a WNCPTV news story, said, "If we didn't have two dogs already, I'd get another one. But if my mom said it was okay..."



Dr. Weston Cook leads the procession into the GPAC for Convocation.

Students make their big move away from home to college dorms.

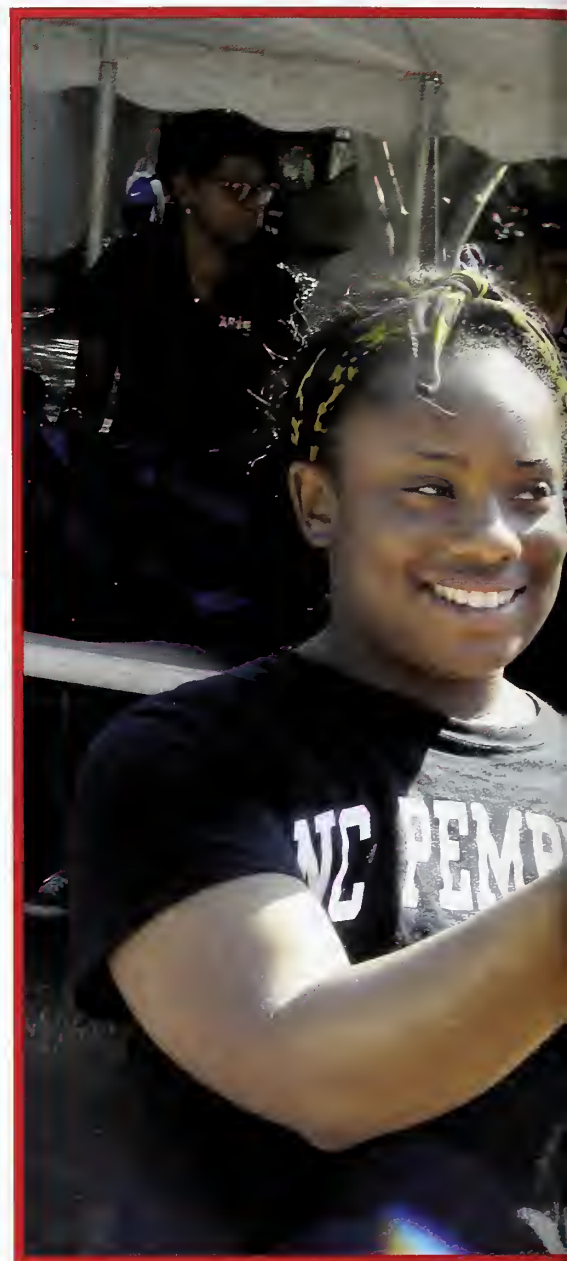
Seize the Day

On October 1, 2014, UNCP hosted its 25th annual Pembroke Day after the event was postponed the previous week due to the weather. The event took place in the quad from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and attracted a lot of students, faculty, and members of the local community. "I'm just amazed how popular it is," said new member of the Mary Livermore Library staff Claire Clemens, who said that she has attended many college events but hasn't seen a turnout like this.

Student organizations, university offices, vendors, and health professionals were among the participants, with tables set up for attendees to visit as they were entertained by music and talented local performers. One university office, Alumni Relations, focused on finding opportunities, meeting club members, and seeing what the local vendors had to offer, said board member and graduate assistant Courtney Chavis. Chavis wanted to attract alumni and encourage people to donate. She felt Pembroke Day was a great networking opportunity for both past and present students.

Among the student organizations, the Criminal Justice Club wanted "to get some exposure" after missing an earlier campus event to promote themselves, President Jennifer Brassar said. She noticed that a lot of the people from the local community had little interest in the clubs and student organizations, so her primary focus was to draw interest from current students in hopes that they'd be open to joining the organization.

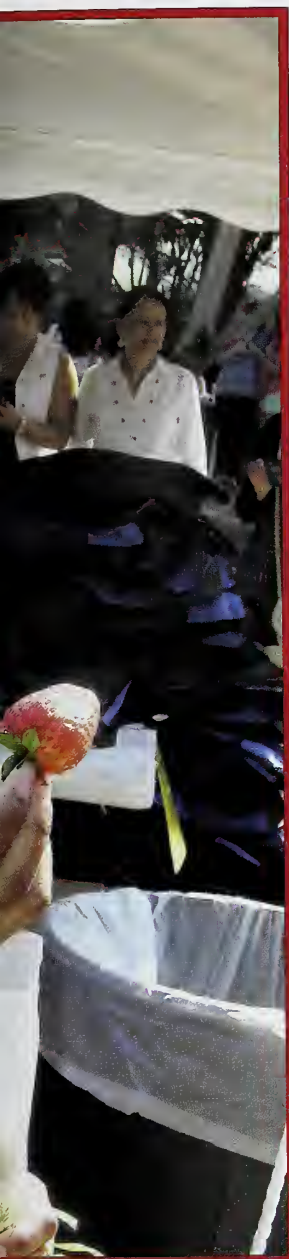
Georgianna McQueen sits back and enjoys a delicious strawberry.



Dr. Andy Ash engages a community member in a conversation about Biology.

3eta Tau Alpha sisters enjoy laughs with a member of the local community.





Students stop by Illya's concession stand at Pembroke Day to get a tasty treat.

Students enjoy talent from local vendors.



Students get the best of both worlds while learning different cultures.

Dorianna Curry as the cop has run-ins with several of the town's residents throughout the play.

In a postmodern scene before intermission, some of the actors take on the role of audience members and comment on what they have just seen.



Morgan Pettigrew as the town librarian plays a role analogous to the narrator in Thornton Wilder's earlier play *Our Town*.

At the end of the play, Mrs. Swanson holds her newborn son, named John, in one room of the hospital, while her friend John is dying in another; Ashley Nichol is their doctor.





On the Town

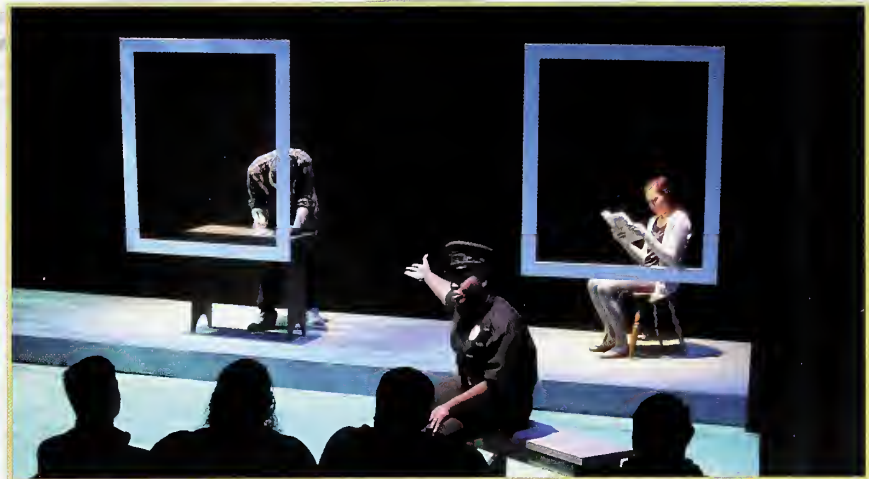
University Theatre presented *Middletown* by Will Eno on October 7-11, 2014, at the GPAC. Directed by Holden Hansen, the play explores life in a small town with edgy humor. Central to the play is the friendship that develops between John Dodge (played by Wayne Locklear) and Mrs. Swanson (played by Jessica Perry). Other recurring characters were the librarian (Morgan Pettigrew), the cop (Dorianna Curry), and the mechanic who is also the town drunk (Daniel Ownbey). Filling out the cast as other town residents—and a few visiting tourists—were Laura Zaetz, Kayla Cox, Cole Murray, Earnie Lee, Mac McGill, Ayanna Pearson, Nick Williams, and Ashley Nichol. The audience also heard the voices of Wynona Oxendine and new Theatre Director Jonathan Drahos as radio hosts.

Students working behind the scenes were stage manager Mary Grace Curiale, assistant stage manager Wynona Oxendine, and wardrobe crew Rachelle Nucci, Shyane Stitt, Lemuel Subdias, Chantelle Lee, Jade Jones, and Josh Kelly.



John Dodge (Wayne Locklear) and Mrs. Swanson (Jessica Perry), two lonely Middletown residents, form a friendship that changes throughout the play.

Daniel Ownbey brings humor and insight to the play in his role as the town drunk.



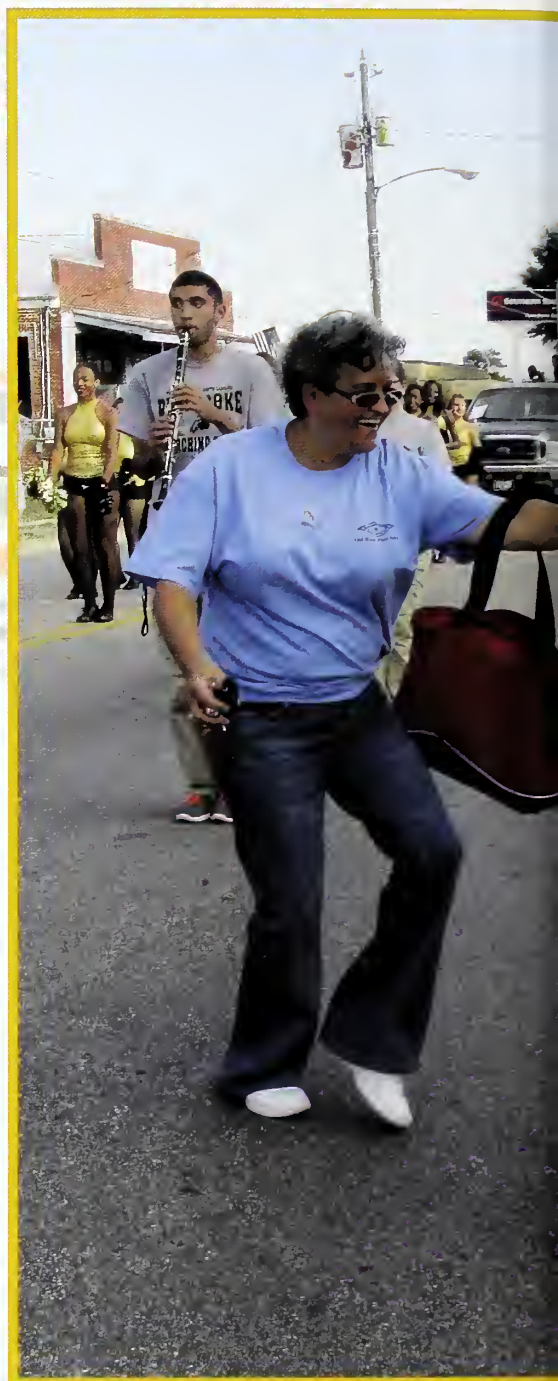
The cop (Dorianna Curry) tells the audience about life in Middletown as they look at some of the residents through the windows that were a central feature of the set.

Earnie Lee plays a former Middletown resident who gets to see things from a very different perspective as an astronaut.

A community member (center) joins in on the Homecoming celebration, dancing with the Bravehawk mascot.

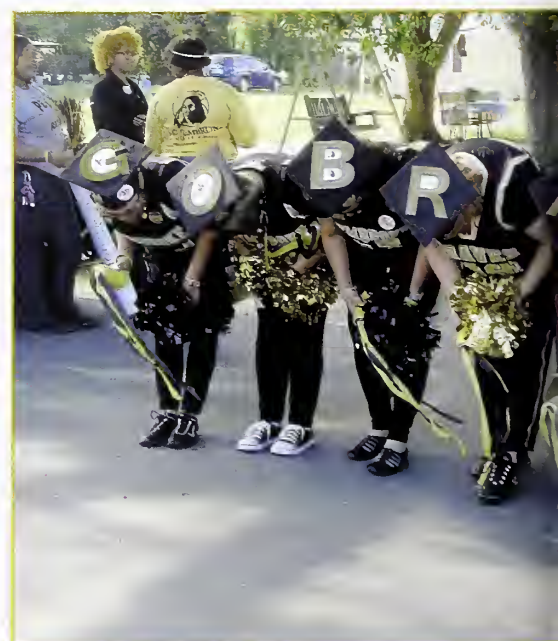
Charles Peacock the juggler (right) visits UNCP during Homecoming and amazes students with his craft.

Students (below) support causes while enjoying the festivities at the parade.



UNCP's marching band hypes up the campus as they make their way to the field.

Students show their pride by wearing caps decorated in gold letters spelling out "Go Braves."





Musician Dustin Hatzenbuehler sings and plays the piano in the University Center Lounge, one of many events during Homecoming.

UNCP Homecoming King JP Linney is enjoying the moment at the Homecoming parade.



We Got Spirit

The Spirit of Homecoming was on display from October 20-25 as thousands of students, alumni, and friends of the university participated. Homecoming was defined by words like "pride," "family," "heritage," "growth," "diversity," and "honor." Alumna Kelli Wallace, who was Miss UNCP in 1999, never misses a homecoming. "Every time I come back here, I get a feeling of pride," Wallace said. "I'm especially proud of the growth of the university since my time here. And it's a lot of fun seeing friends."

The weeklong celebration saw two headline events at the GPAC, a color run, athletic contests in five fall sports, a pep rally and Moonlight Madness, and much more, including a spirited Homecoming Parade. Beauty pageant winners waved while bands played on and students and staff raised their voices in cheer. With so many people riding in the parade the noise was deafening at times at the reviewing stand. Senior Francine Cummings, who was on the Native American Student Organization float, said, "The spirit of Pembroke resides in the people. The people make it."

This student enjoys being a big kid and jumping on the inflatables during the tailgating before the Homecoming game.

Bravehawk is on hand to pump up the crowd and support the team.



We got spirit—Yes we do...The Spirit Squad performs during halftime to pump up the crowd.

UNCP Homecoming King and Queen JP Linney and Gina Clymore are all smiles after winning the title.



Yes We Do

Pembroke's Homecoming spirit was dampened only by a gritty 13-6 loss to Newberry College in Grace P. Johnson Stadium on Saturday, October 25. While tailgating before the football game, sisters Audena Walker '79 and Theresa Tyler '77 used the word "family" to describe what the university means to them. "All five sisters are graduates," Tyler said. "Yes, it's a family," Walker said. Redean Cotton '89 said that since the return of football and fall homecomings in 2008, she has reconnected with the university. "I come out to celebrate Pembroke," Cotton said. "I would define the university's spirit as growth, diversity, and tolerance."

After the tailgating ritual that featured a whole hog on the grill, 4,000 fans poured into Grace P. Johnson Stadium to watch the Braves battle the Wolves. Both defenses were stout with UNCP limiting Newberry to just 237 yards of total offense and a field goal in the second half. Unfortunately, the Braves offense could not generate enough scoring opportunities. Quarterback Seth Owen put the only points on the board for UNCP with a 10-yard run on their first possession of the game. Owen also threw for 99 yards. B.J. Bunn caught six passes, and L.J. Stroman provided excitement

with the return game, gaining 123 yards on five touches. The rebuilding football team, which lost 22 players from last year, had a chance to win or tie late in the fourth quarter when they pushed down to the Newberry's 16-yard line late in the fourth quarter but lost the ball on downs.

UNCP's marching band performs the music of the Beatles at halftime to rally the crowd.

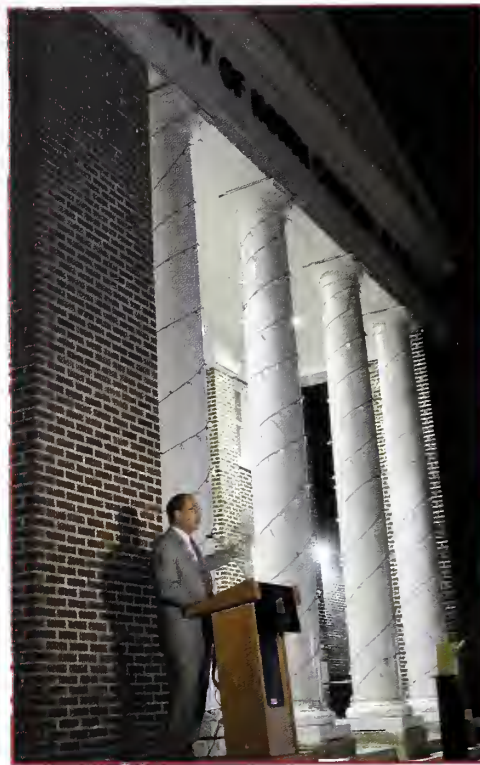


Tailgating before the Homecoming game brings the community together to share laughs, food, and fun.

Fans cheer and pump up the football team at the Homecoming game.

Chancellor Carter speaks just before Old Main is lit up for the holidays.

Students sing Christmas carols for the crowd during the lighting of Old Main.



Students line up for the midnight breakfast at the cafe during exam week.

Other students take a break by coloring and drawing at one of the arts and crafts tables.





Cherish Today

Several events at the end of the Fall 2014 ushered in the start of the holiday season. The Lighting of Old Main on December 2 started a new tradition for UNCP. Chancellor Carter and others spoke to students, faculty, and community members in front of the most historic building on campus as darkness fell, and then the lights were turned on, as shown on the left. Music majors and other students sang carols at the event to spark some holiday cheer. Later in the week, holiday music filled the GPAC as the Music Department held its sixth annual Holiday Extravaganza.

While looking forward to the holidays, students also prepared for final exams, one of the most stressful weeks of the semester. A number of Stress Reliever events gave students a chance to relax between their exams. The events in the UC included massage chairs, game tables, arts and crafts, a Paul Mitchell event where students could have their nails and hair done, and the always-popular late night "breakfast." The line for midnight breakfast was extremely long, extending outside the cafeteria into the UC lobby. UNCP really treated students well during final exam week.



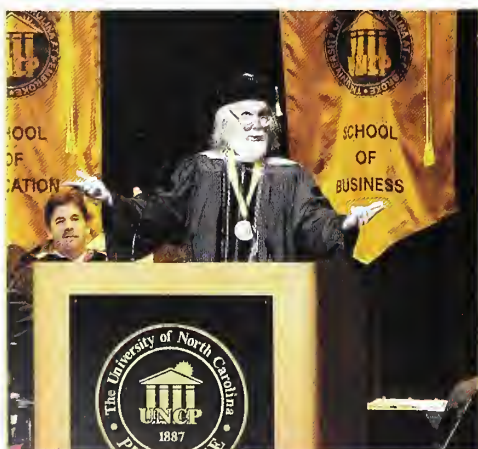
Massage chairs in the UC lounge give students a chance to relax between exams.

Final exams bring many students to the library. Studying can be stressful, but Braves never quit—until they fall asleep.

Degree in Hand

UNC Pembroke staged one of the largest Winter Commencements in university history on December 12 and 13. Givens Performing Arts Center was the scene on Friday for the awarding of 65 graduate degrees. On Saturday, 471 undergraduate degrees were conferred in the Main Gym of the English Jones Health and Physical Education Center. It was UNCP's 150th commencement, according to university historians, and it was also the first time that the chair of the UNC Board of Governors attended a commencement in Pembroke. Chairman John C. Fennebresque explained, "The chair of the Board of Governors gets first choice of the university to attend for commencement. In my opinion your chancellor, Kyle Carter, is one of the preeminent leaders of higher education in the nation," he said. There was one other historic reason that brought the Board of Governors' chairman to Pembroke. He was invited by Robert Nunnery, who graduated on Saturday. Nunnery was UNCP's first student in history to be elected president of the UNC Association of Student Governments and the first UNCP student to hold a seat on the 32-member Board of Governors. "Robert Nunnery is my friend, and it will be a thrill to shake his hand when he receives his degree," Fennebresque said. Nunnery, who received a degree in social studies education on Saturday, thanked the chairman. "I was fortunate to have many great mentors at UNCP, and Mr. Fennebresque was my mentor on the Board of Governors," Nunnery said. In his charge to the graduates, Chancellor Carter also talked about the importance of mentors, saying, "You know you are here because someone in our faculty took time to go the extra mile with you," he said. Commencement speaker Dr. Weston F. Cook Jr. also talked about being mentored and the importance of being a mentor. "You'll be amazed at how many lives you'll touch when you leave here," Dr. Cook said. "Every thing I've become is because somebody took a chance on me. As I was mentored, I sought to mentor you when you came into my small world. I hope I did a good job." The crowd poured out of the English Jones Health and Physical Education Building Saturday into the bright sunshine looking forward to bright futures.

This graduate waves to someone in the crowd as she enters the gym for December commencement.



Dr. Weston Cook speaks during the graduate student commencement.

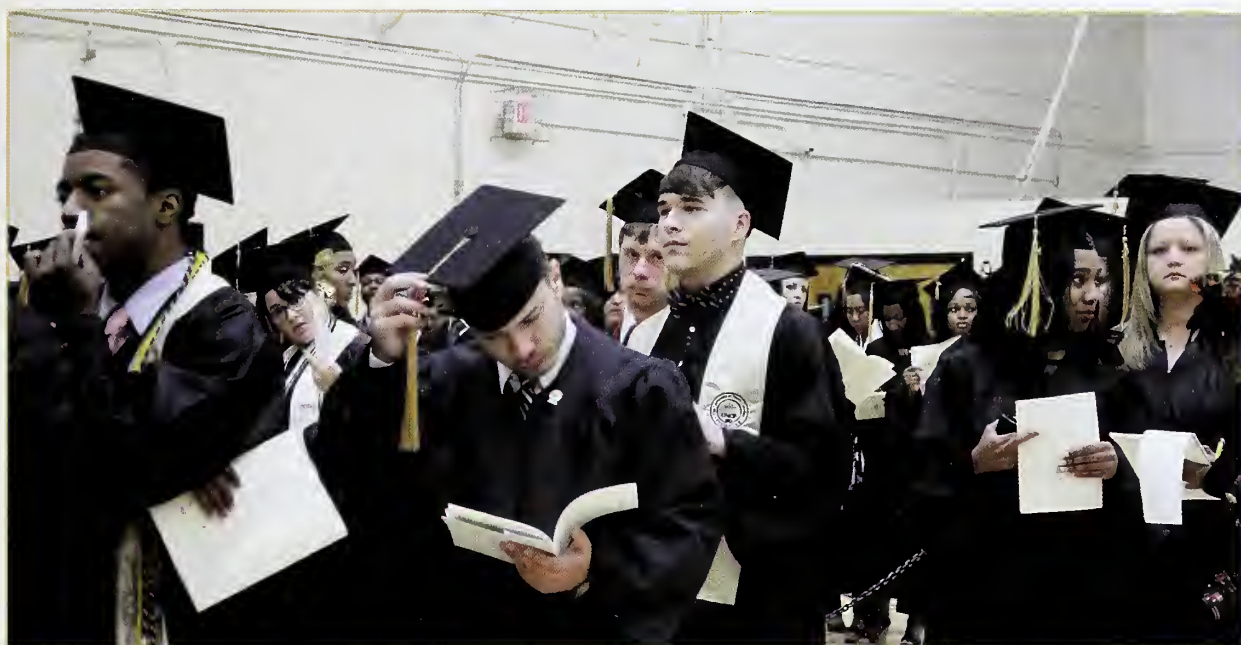
This graduate student receives the hood signifying his new master's degree.





This student is one of many receiving hugs from friends and family members outside the gym after the ceremony.

Students line up in the Auxiliary Gym, waiting to march in and hear their names called.



A Native American flute player and the Lumbee Ambassadors lead the procession into the gym.

One student (center) is congratulated by Provost Ken Kitts after getting his diploma, while another (left) raises her arm in triumph as she crosses the stage.

Snow Days

During February we had a few days when classes were cancelled and the streets were covered with ice. Some students enjoyed their days off by playing in the snow; other might have worked on assignments, but either way it was a day to sit back and relax and stay warm. The weather was extreme (for our region); some trees came down on campus, and the water feature was frozen. The campus was beautiful covered in ice and light snow, but many had trouble making it to school because the roads were unsafe. UNCP hosted events through the snow days to keep students engaged and proactive with activities like board game and yoga. Students also were served light refreshments that included apple cider and hot cocoa. It might have been cold, but UNCP couldn't be stopped by a little ice and snow.



Icicles hang from the town limit sign on Third Street in Pembroke after a night of freezing rain and low temperatures.

The marquee outside the UC shows 32 degrees on the first night of the storm, and it got lower that night, down to the low 20s.





Falling snow is illuminated by a streetlamp (center) during the first night of the storm.

Tommy the Hawk wears a new coat of icicles but still remains strong through the bad weather.



Icicles hang from cars parked in campus lots (above left) and even the outdoor sculptures on campus (above) due to the harsh weather.

Tree branches are also covered in ice (left); the weight of the ice causes some to droop and others to break off altogether (center).

Seven words are Tatiana Reed's talent, and she captures the crowd with her voice. Below her, Jael Pembrock sings like a dream girl.

Our new Miss UNCP, Bessie Barnes, waves to the crowd after she is crowned. Below her, Taley Strickland sings as she competes for the title.



Crowning Moment

With 1,400 excited and vocal fans looking on in the GPAC, Bessie Nicole Barnes, a student in the graduate MPA program, was crowned Miss UNC Pembroke 2015 on January 29. Audience participation was very high; when popular local singer Brent Tyler forgot the words to his song, 1,400 people sang with him until he got back on track. This year's theme was "21st Century Woman," and other winners among the seven contestants included Miss Congeniality Amanda Kay Levy, third runner-up Alexis Jones, second runner-up Kara Adkins, and first runner-up Taley Strickland. Outgoing Miss UNCP Kelsey Cummings bid farewell to her fans and her crown with a piano performance and a promenade through GPAC. Cummings also received the first Kelsey Cummings Spirit Award, and former Miss Indian World April Whittemore Locklear awarded her a sacred hawk feather.

All seven contestants display poise and grace during the evening wear competition.



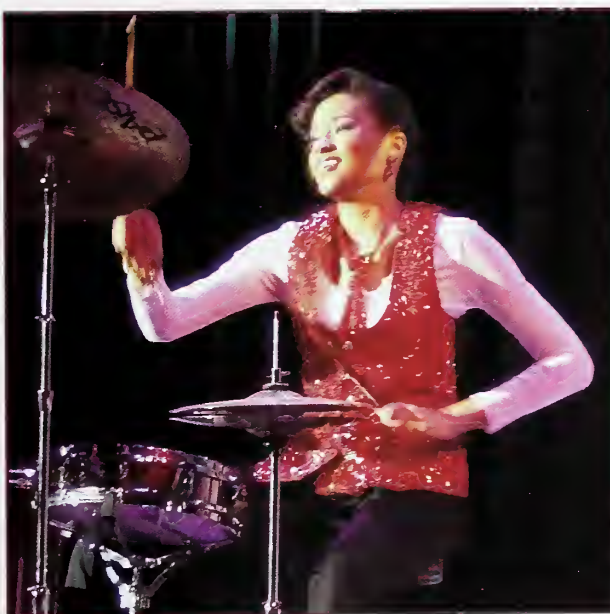


Former Miss UNCP Kelsey Cummings gets ready to crown Bessie Barnes as the new Miss UNCP.

Alexis Jones walks gracefully during the formal wear competition, stunning the crowd with her smile.



Amanda Levy reaches out to the audience while performing her jazz dance routine.



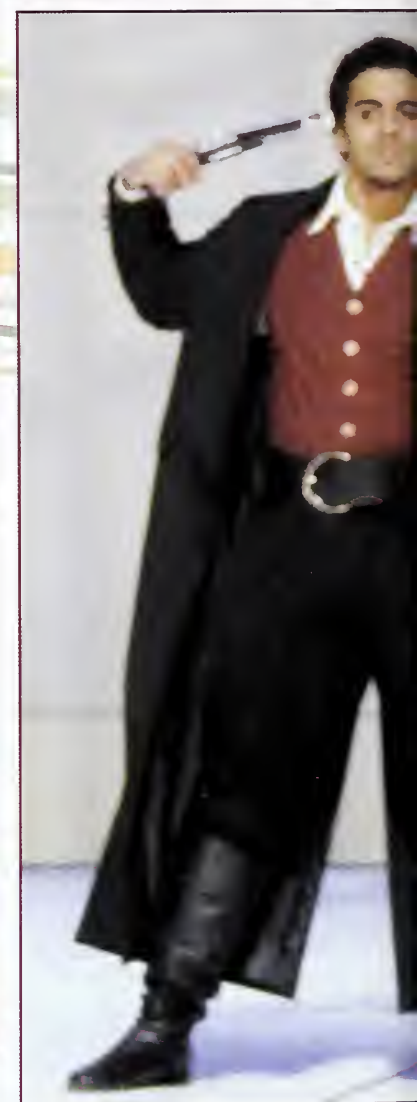
Kara Adkins has the crowd jamming to the beat of her drums during the talent competition.

An Inspector Calls

Jeffery Hatcher's adaptation of *The Government Inspector* by Nikolai Gogol amused and delighted audiences in the GPAC on February 25-28, 2015. This was the first University Theatre production by our Theatre program's new director, Jonathan Dahos. The set resembled a circus tent, and the characters of Bobchinsky and Dobchinsky were dressed as clowns, preparing the audience for the silliness and comedy to come as the citizens of a small Russian town panic when they hear that a government inspector is about to arrive. Much of the action revolves around the mayor's attempts to bribe Hlestakov, a visitor to town on the assumption that he IS the inspector; we'll let you guess whether this turns out to be the case or not. The large cast featured Chris Hunter as the Mayor, University Registrar Sharon Kissick as his wife Anna, Laura Bartolotti as Marya, Megan Bleiler as Grusha, Jalen Boyette as the Constable, Wayne Brown II as Svetsunov, Brice Anthony Heller as the Judge, Wayne Locklear as the School Principal, Mac McGill as Hlestakov, Brittany McGilberry as the Hospital Director, Justin Nwokolo as the Postmaster, Wynona Oxendine as Dobchinsky, Jessica Perry as Abdul-lin, Angel Roman as the Doctor, Stephen Shane as Osip, Rebecca Wey as the Locksmith's Wife, Lauren Mae Wise as Bobchinsky, and Dorianna James, Ashley Nichol, and Jessica Williamson in multiple roles.

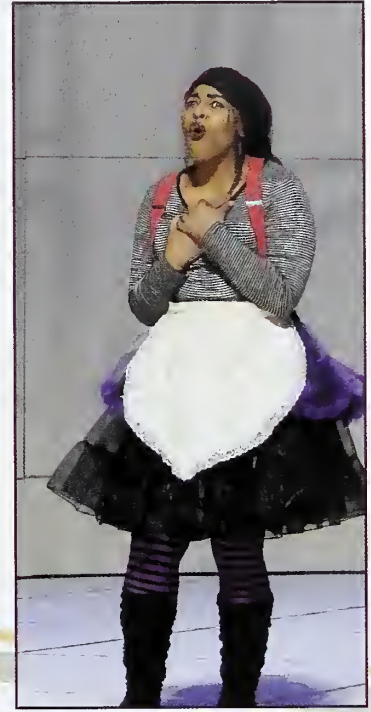


Wayne Locklear (above center) is the school principal who reads the news to the townpeople. Mac McGill (below center) plays Hlestakov, a con man who is in desperate need of money until he is mistaken as the Government Inspector and takes advantage of it. Lauren Catherine Ashley Bartolotti is Marya, the daughter of the mayor, and Sharon Kissick is her mother, Anna Andreyevna (right). Both ladies are infatuated with Hlestakov. Christopher Thomas Hunter (above) as mayor Anton Antonovich captivates the audience with his song and dance as he tries to reassure the citizens.



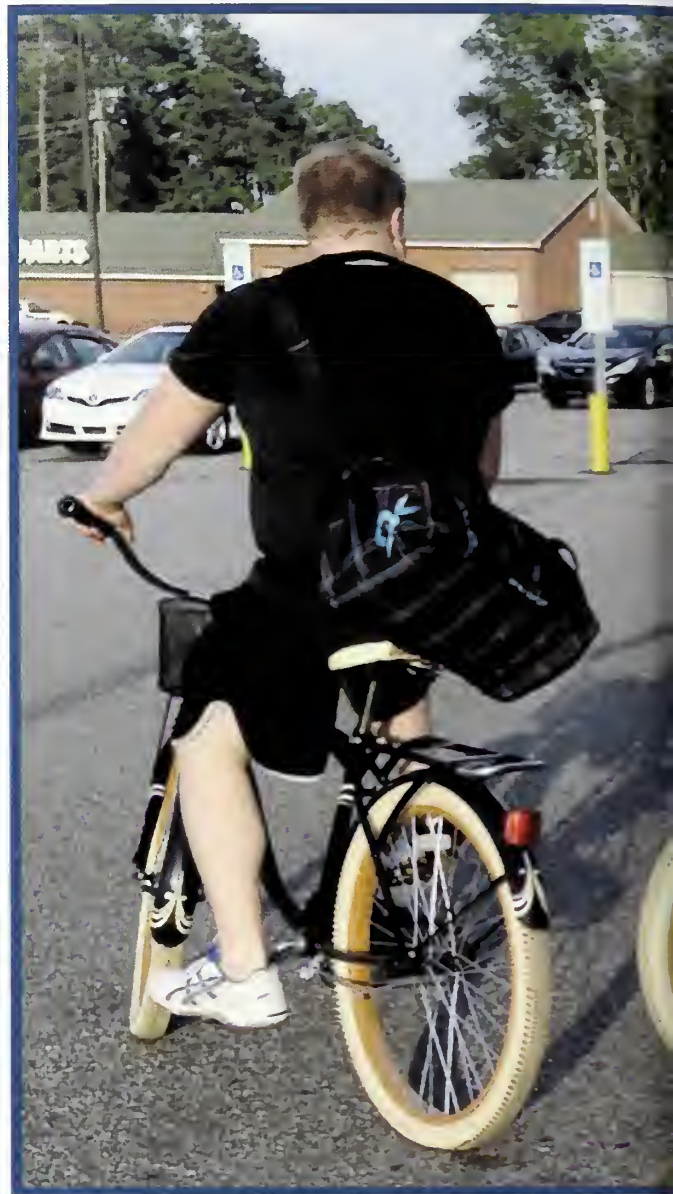


After the inspector's coming arrival is announced (far left), the townspeople really do panic (bottom). Justyn Nwokolo (left) is Ivan Kuzmich Shpekin, the aloof postmaster who knows everyone's business. Lauren Mae Wise and Wynona Oxendine as Bobchinsky and Dobchinsky and Brittany McGilberry as the Hospital Director (below far left) and Dorianna James as the waitress (below) are among the townspeople who display a variety of responses to the impending arrival of the Government Inspector.



International students enjoy the beach during one of the trips organized by the IP office.

Christian Naarttijärvi and Ryder Jones, students from Sweden and Wales, use the bikes that international students can borrow during their time at UNCP.



These international students are also enjoying an educational outing led by Laura Dobson (above), while Xian Xian Xu (right) meets other students at the Chancellor's dinner in Fall 2014.





Think Globally

In a world where employment opportunities are becoming increasingly challenging, the need for a graduate to be worldly is of utmost importance. International Programs at UNCP offers opportunities for students to expand their knowledge of the world and make useful contacts by both sending students abroad and welcoming foreign students into our community. "International Programs facilitates opportunities for cross-cultural exchange and international learning on campus and abroad" according to Laura Dobson, Study Abroad Coordinator, who advised UNCP students to take advantage of these opportunities: "Get to know an international student in one of your classes; become a Conversation Partner through IP; come take part in some of our programs on campus, sign-up to live in the Global Learning Community, or Study Abroad!"

Studying abroad helps participants develop their problem solving, understanding, and people skills. The IP office prepares students to understand the ways in which the globe is changing and to help make the world a better place through international engagement and educational opportunities. The IP office recruits and supports a variety of students from all over the world. Whilst the international students study at UNCP, the office strives to ensure their happiness and comfort. They also arrange numerous excursions around surrounding areas, and international students also arrange trips on their own. This year some of them visited Washington, DC, in the fall and the Bahamas over Spring Break.



Chinese calligraphy (left) is being demonstrated for American students and others who stop by this table on Pembroke Day.

Three continents are represented above: Divine Mbah from Africa, Mingyu Liao from Asia, and Tanner O'Quinn from the USA.

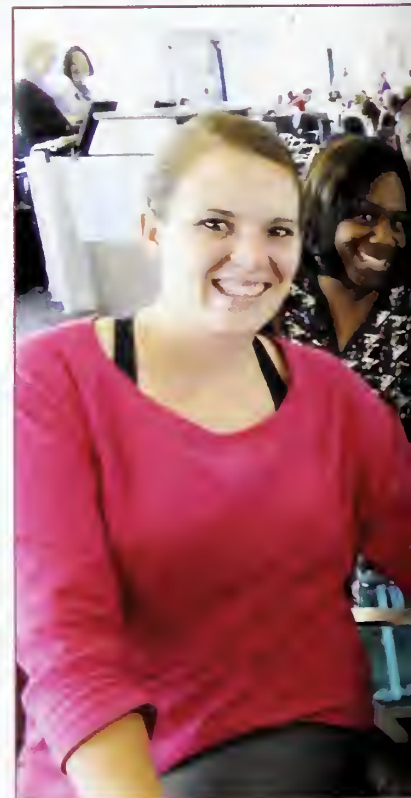
Jennifer Cousart and her classmates in SPN 3510 (center) are excited to have arrived in Madrid for the start of their study abroad week in Spain.

Drs. Cecilia Lara and Enrique Porrúa and students Mireida Pérez-Cortez, Bessie Barnes, Linda Council, and Julia Harmon (below) and other students in SPN 3510 (right) enjoy the sights in Segovia.



These students take a break from seeing the sights in Berlin.

Dr. Kevin Freeman and students in WLS 2990 are at the airport on their way to Berlin.





These students are about to visit another historical building during their study tour in Germany.

Students in WLS 2990 learn about German government in one of the chambers of the Bundestag, the equivalent of our US Capitol, while they are in Berlin.



Road Trips

In the Spring of 2014 a group of around 20 students, led by Spanish faculty members Drs. Enrique Porrúa and Cecilia Lara, visited Madrid, Spain, over Spring Break as part of SPN 3510 Study Abroad, an elective for Spanish majors and minors that provides cultural immersion and interaction with the environment in addition to improving language skills.

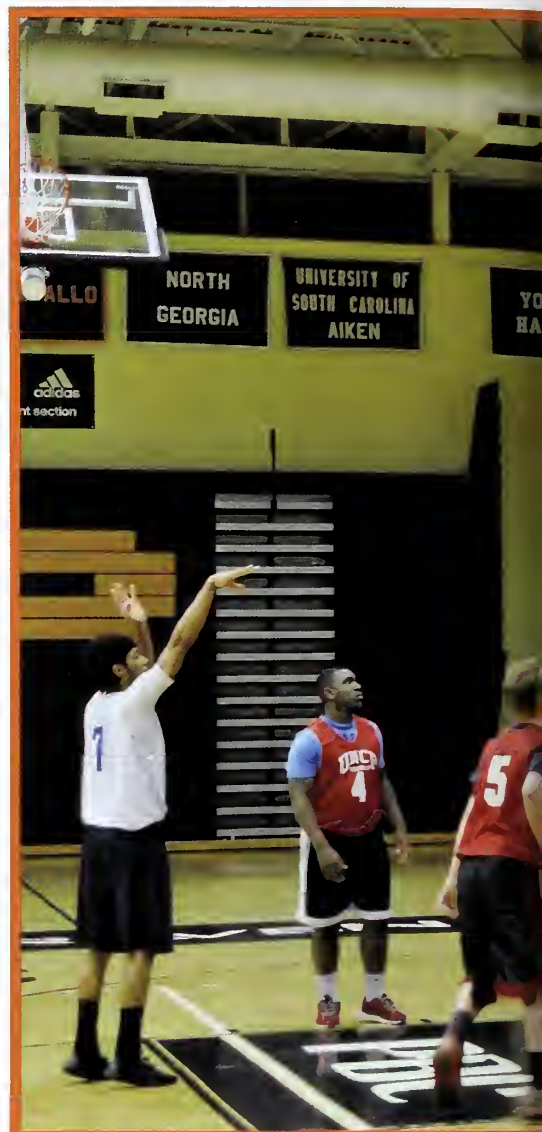
The group took several tours around the city, visiting the Prado museum, Reina Sofia, National Museum of Archaeology, Museum of Natural Sciences, Maritime Museum, Royal Palace, Museum of Romanticism, and other attractions. They also took a side trip one day, traveling by high speed (AVE) train to Segovia, a nearby city full of historical landmarks and places to visit, including a Roman aqueduct, cathedral, and the Real Alcazar.

During Maymester 2014, Political Science professors Drs. Kiril Bumin and Kevin Freeman took a group of students to Berlin and other places in Germany for WLS 2990. The group visited museums, government buildings, and other places of interest.

A student runs with the ball during an informal game in the Auxiliary Gym.

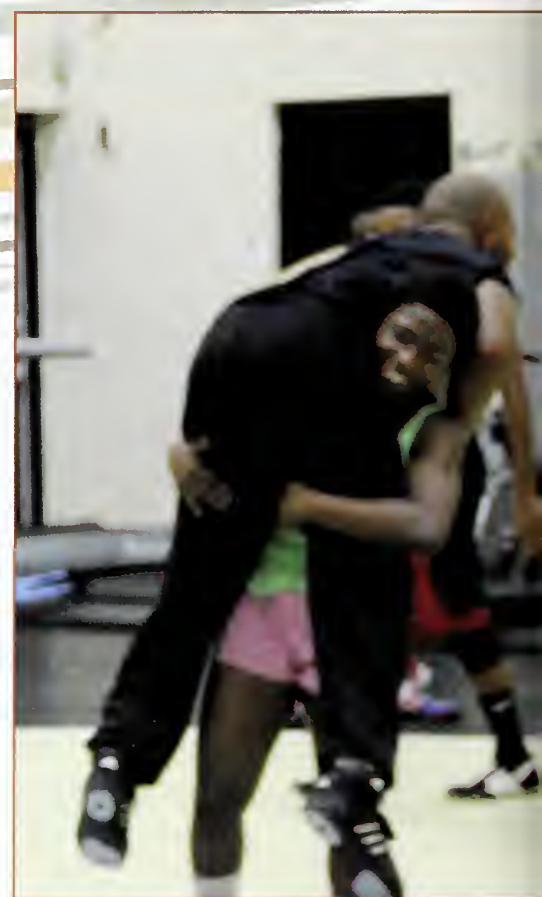


Team members wait to see if the free-throw will make it to the basket as the referee watches.



Students enjoy a pick-up game of volleyball in the Auxiliary Gym.

This student takes "pick-up" literally during an informal wrestling match.





Let's Get Physical!

Physical activity is a good way to destress after a long day of classes. Intramural games take place every year during the fall and spring semesters, offering all students a chance to participate in all types of sports in their free time. Many students participate in order to relax and take a break from classes, organizations, and other commitments. Students can participate in fall sports, which consist of flag football, golf, indoor volleyball, outdoor soccer, three-on-three basketball, and one pitch softball. During the spring students can also participate in five-on-five basketball, golf, indoor soccer, ultimate frisbee, sand volleyball, softball, and tennis. Registered students and staff are always welcome to volunteer and participate in intramurals during spring or fall by signing up on Braveweb or contacting Campus Recreation. Many fellow Braves come out to see their friends and classmates play during the intramural seasons, and the games receive a good turnout.

Aside from organized intramurals, many students use the Auxiliary Gym and other locations on campus for informal pick-up games.



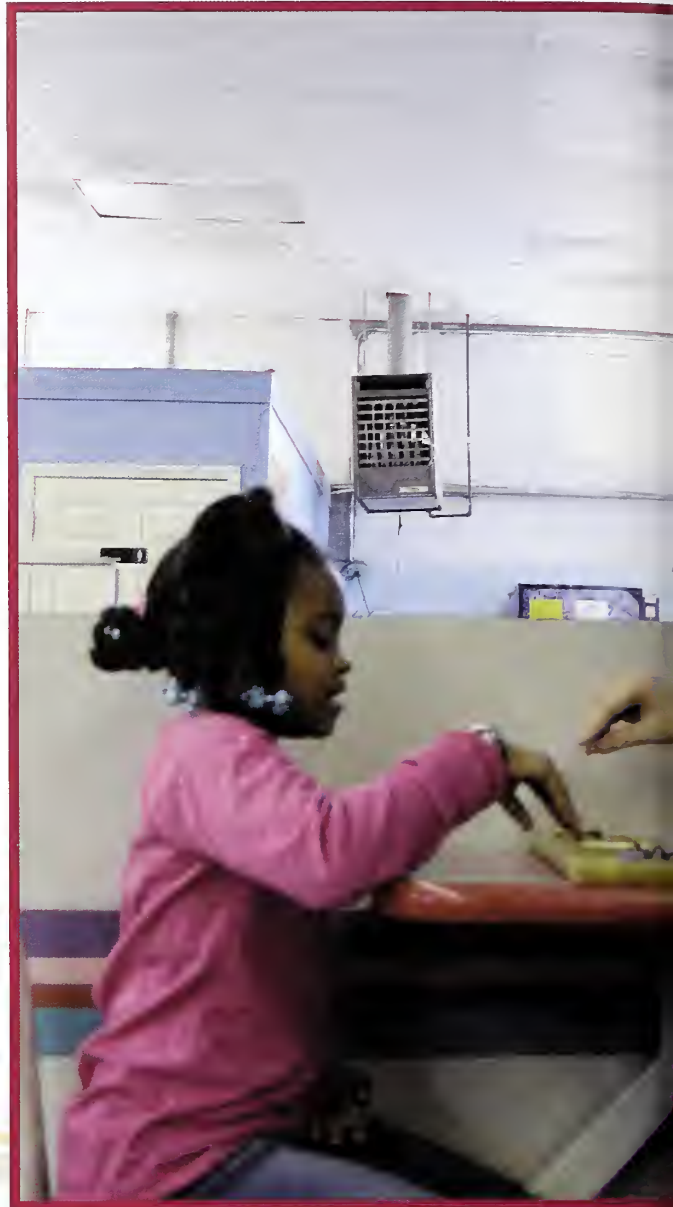
Students talk to their teammates to find out their next play during an intramural basketball game.

A student shoots from the three-point line trying to score for his team.

Braves Give Back

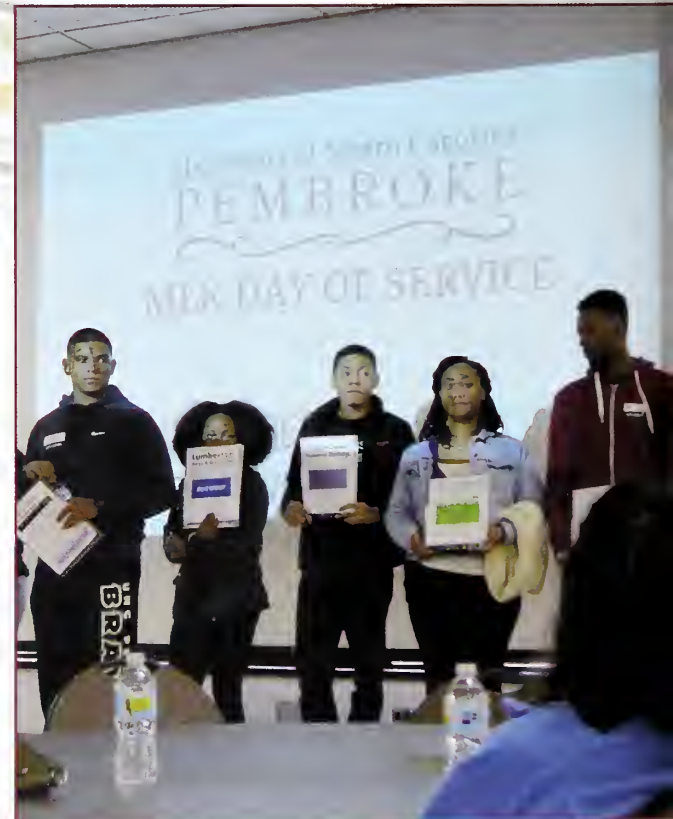
Students participate in community service on and off campus supporting UNCP and the local community by volunteering and making a difference. They are involved in the Community & Civic Engagement program that allows students to be proactive and engaged in campus improvements and local ones as well. A Brave's work is never finished, whether mentoring at elementary schools or helping with road clean ups, but when it comes to serving the community they stay motivated. CCE is open to any students who would want to volunteer and get involved. CCE has a CARE Resource Center that is a campus food pantry, clothing closet, and service-learning lab that is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Even though it has been around for a short time it has managed to make a difference on campus already. The program director, Christie Poteet, has encouraged and rallied many students to join the cause; she visits many classes and lets students know of CCE's opportunities and benefits. The program offers students employment opportunity if they qualify for work study, which is very beneficial when trying to find a part-time job while in school. CCE is located in Jacobs Hall in Suite K, and to register anyone can apply on-line on Braveweb.

It's nothing like a girl's day. This UNCP student plays mancala with a girl from a local elementary school.



Foosball can be fun, and these Braves teach this little boy how it's done.

A Brave's work never goes unnoticed; the volunteers receive certificates for their hard work.





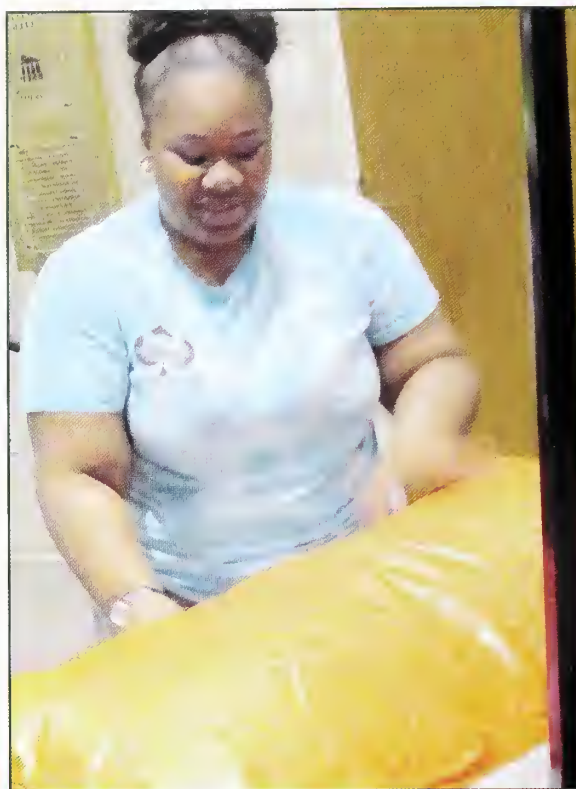
It's not all work and no play with Braves when they volunteer as they spend time with kids from the community.



Students spend a day mentoring and playing with children from a local elementary school.

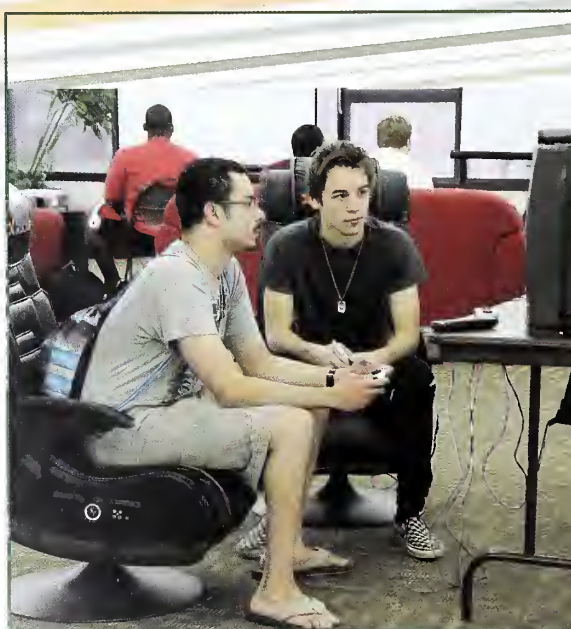
Three students (far right) examine a ball during a Game Day in the UC Lounge, while an ACE member (right) sets up for an event in the UC Annex.

The students below play an unusual card game at Game Day.



One student plays a video game in the UC Lounge while another watches (right).

Three students get ready to play a game of poker during Game Day (center right).



Break Time

Student organizations put on many different events throughout the year. These events give students a break from studying and classes. It is also through these events that students are able to have something to do on the weekends. With the nearest movie theater 40 minutes away in Hope Mills, it just proves the point that there is a lack of things to do in the community. So various student organizations must create things to do in this community. Groups like the Geeks and Gamers Guild have put on an event called Game Day for the past few years that has been very successful. With almost no advertisement it gets a large turn out of students. Then groups like Genenshiken put on Chubicon, which is a small convention on Japanese culture.

One student organization gets funded by student fees to put on events: the Association of Campus Entertainment (ACE), which has sponsored many different events this year, including bringing a singer and a juggler to campus. ACE also has random giveaways, as when they had a teddy bear building station set up in the UC for students to come use. It is through these student organizations and others that we have fun and exciting things to do on campus.



Three students (above) discuss a game and enjoy lunch in the UC Lounge.

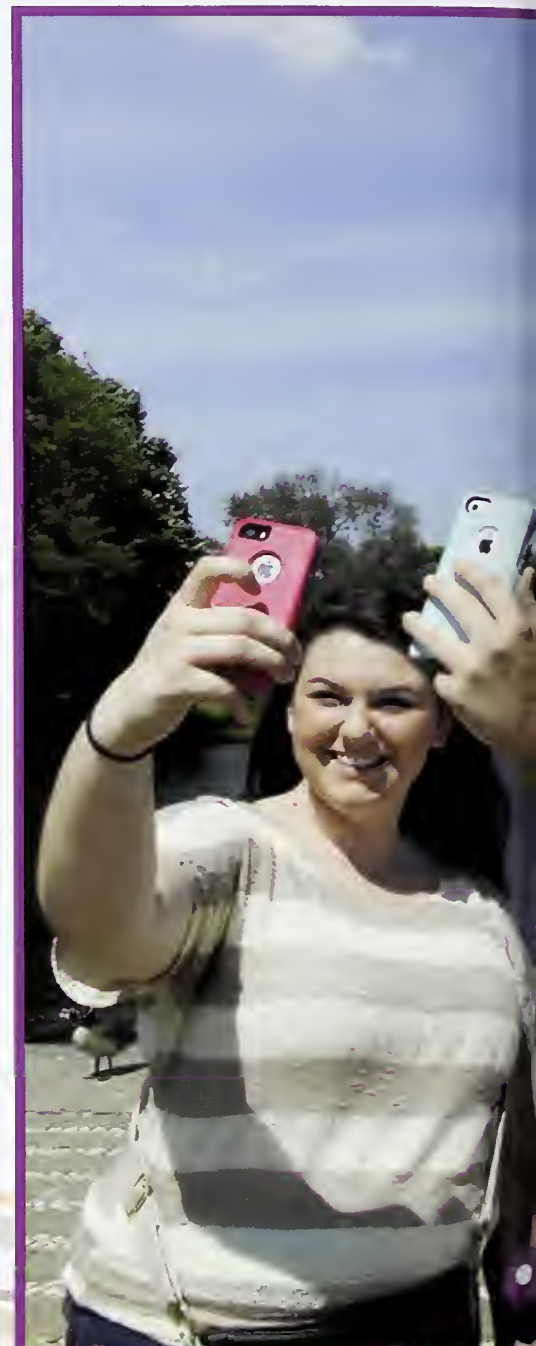
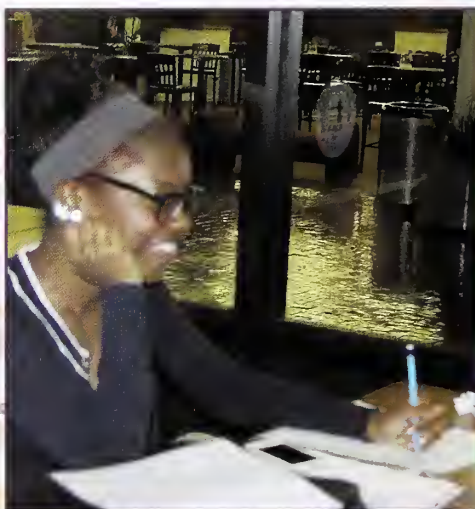
Lester Arnold (left) helps ACE with one of their events in the University Center.

Smartphone

Without us even noticing, a piece of technology has become integral to our lives. This device is the smartphone. Now it is almost impossible for us to go anywhere without one. As soon as we go to a restaurant we always pull out this device and start to use it. If you go just about anywhere in America, including our campus, you will be hard pressed not to find many of these. When we go to our favorite hangout spots such as WOW or Starbucks, we use our phones. On these phones we use a wide variety of apps, from casual games like Candy Crush to social media sites such as Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter. Then we have other apps in categories of their own, like Yik Yak, and messaging apps like Kik. Only a few of us used all of these, but you probably used at least one of them. In just the few years we have been in college, technology has grown at an unbelievable pace. Apps come and go out of fashion all the time.

In addition to our smartphones, we also used e-readers, tablets, and laptops all over campus, even when getting together with others. Though the nearest decent movie theater was out in Hope Mills, there were plenty of places around campus where we would get together, including restaurants like San Jose, Tokyo, and Andy's—although Andy's was shut down for the spring semester after a fire. On campus our coffee choices expanded in the spring with the opening of Jazzman's Cafe in the bookstore.

This student works on a homework assignment in the University Center.



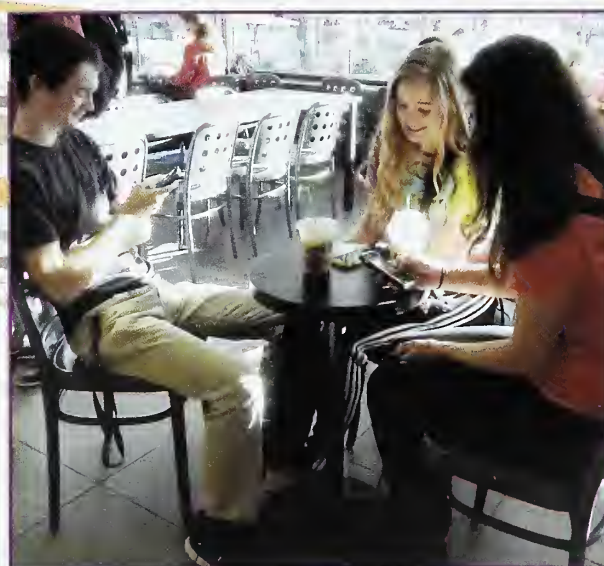
Working hard or hardly working, a student takes a break to shoot pool in the UC.

Students hang out in the gazebo and chat about their day after class.



Cassidy Miles, Madison Wilcox, and Lakima Legette Edwards take selfies while on a study tour of Germany.

Classmates discuss a project over drinks at Starbucks, a popular on-campus hangout.



Students hang out in Starbucks and check their phones after a long day.

Signing Off

Towards the end of the fall 2014 semester Dr. Kyle Carter, our Chancellor, announced that he was retiring at the end of this academic year. Other announcements soon followed that will make UNCP a different kind of place by the start of the 2015-2016 academic year. Dr. Kenneth Kitts, our Provost, left in March 2015 to become the President of the University of North Alabama. Then Dean Mark Canada of the College of Arts and Sciences accepted a position as the Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs at the University of Indiana at Kokomo. Dr. William Gash, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs will become the provost of the University of North Georgia in July. Finally, Dr. Richard Constantino, the Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration, will become the President of Lander University.

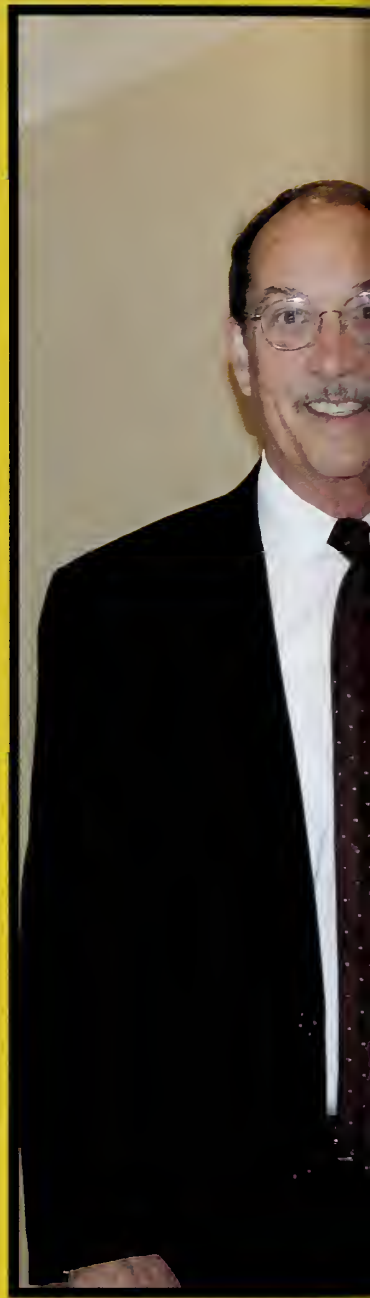
Dr. Carter had a particular significance to many students. He loved getting to know the students of the university, and it would only take one meeting with him for him to remember you. Mrs. Sarah Carter and their dog Dooley were just as well known and well loved by the students as Dr. Carter. Student and former SGA president Emily Ashley said, "He has helped us accomplish and implement a lot of great new things. While I was SGA president, he really involved me in a lot of decisions and took my opinion seriously, even though I was still a student. He's treated me as more than just a student. And Sarah, don't even get me started! She's like a mother to me. If I am having a bad week or need someone to talk to, I will meet with her for coffee and just vent to her and she truly listens and gives feedback to help me grow as a person, a leader, and a student. They really are like family to me, making sure I'm doing well in my classes and getting the help I need. I will forever be thankful for the opportunities they've given me and lessons they've taught me."

Dr. Carter has had a long history in academia, starting off as a professor of psychology; he taught for a few years before becoming a dean and then a provost at two institutions before becoming our chancellor. He is proud of how he led the effort to stabilize enrollment, raising the academic standards and standing of the university. He also worked to create traditions, which he thinks are important for a university. One of these involves the bridge over the water feature. When students first come here they gather in the quad and then walk over the bridge heading towards the school for convocation. At commencement, students go the opposite way across the bridge, towards the quad, heading away from the school.

Dr. Kitts came to the university in 2011 after spending 23 years at Francis Marion University, the last eight of those as associate provost. He is particularly proud of all the work he put into the establishment of the Southeast American Indian Studies Department. He said it has been a "terrific" experience working here and he has learned a lot. He said working with Dr. Carter has been extraordinary as he is a wonderful leader and mentor.

Dean Canada started his career here back in 1997 as an assistant professor of English and has been here ever since. He said his time at UNCP has been a "fabulous" experience and he has truly loved working here. He is proud of his Go-To faculty initiative that gives students an extra mentor to go to if they need it.

Dr. and Mrs. Ken Kitts enjoy the Chancellor's dinner in early fall 2014.





Dr. and Mrs. Carter (center) greet guests at the Chancellor's dinner in early fall 2014. Dr. Cosentino and student Jeff Standbridge (left) talk to Cpl. Anne Capucille about her WWII experience at the student veterans' day of remembrance on Veterans Day, November 11th, 2012.



Dr. and Mrs. Carter talk with students at Family Day in Spring 2014 (above), and Chancellor Carter dances with Victoria Huggins at Pembroke Day back on September 26th, 2012 (center left).

Dean Canada talks to Maria Clark of the class of 1962 during Homecoming back in October 2012.

Grass dancer Christopher Strickland (right) is one of the participants celebrating American Indian heritage at the Fall 2014 NASO Powwow in the UC Annex.



Chadon Locklear (right) performs a traditional dance during the powwow.



The Lumbee Ambassadors (below) make their entrance into the circle at the start of the powwow.

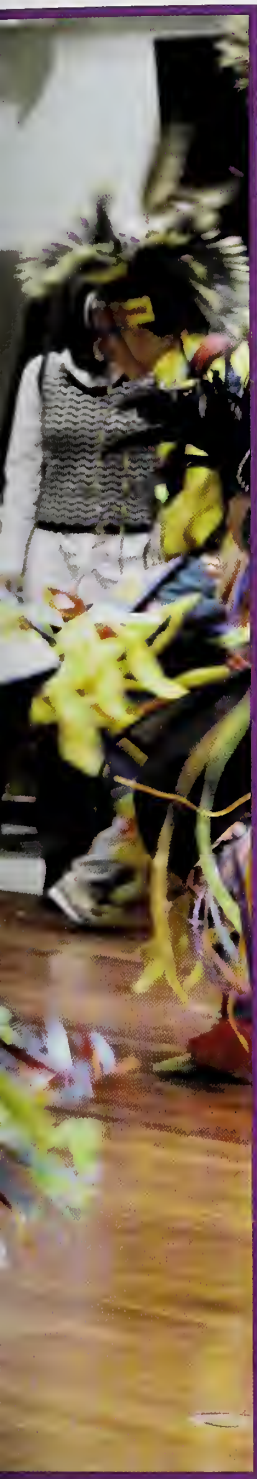


The Lumbee Tribe's Girls' and Boys' Club's drum (right) is on display during the ceremony.



Southern Eagle (center) provides the rhythm and song for the powwow participants and spectators.





Tradition Never Fades

Our American Indian heritage distinguishes UNCP from most universities, and there are events throughout the year at which it is celebrated, especially during Native American Heritage Month each November. Among the many events on campus, one that always draws a large and diverse crowd is the Fall NASO Powwow, held for the past several years in the UC Annex assembly room; the powwow is sponsored by the Museum of the Southeast American Indian. This year's powwow took place on November 10, as participants dressed in colorful regalia entered the circle to the beat of the drum. Members of the UNCP and local communities watched as the dancers moved in traditional steps and rhythms.



Justin Locklear and Nokosi Locklear (above left) and Mollie Smith (above) express pride in their heritage through regalia and dance.

Chadon Locklear and Nokosi Locklear (right) continue to dance throughout the celebration.

Athletics united students, faculty and staff, and the local community in support of our UNCP Braves. Football had a building year, but men's basketball was on a winning streak, and wrestler Daniel Ownbey won his second NCAA II national championship. Tennis and men's golf played their final seasons in Spring 2015, to be replaced by swimming and diving and indoor track at the start of the next academic year.



Soccer, volleyball, and football are just two of the diverse intercollegiate athletic programs at UNCP.





Sports



ON THE MOUND

The UNCP baseball team got knocked out of the Peach Belt Conference Tournament by Georgia College on May 10 by a final score of 13-7. The Braves scored three runs in the eighth and one in the ninth, but it wasn't enough to bring them close enough to challenge the lead. Finishing with 33 wins on the season, it was also the 10th straight season the Braves have finished with 30 or more wins while being led by Head Coach Paul O'Neill. Earlier the UNCP baseball team began the season with a No. 23 national ranking in the Collegiate Baseball Newspaper NCAA Division II Preseason Poll. Senior Dalton Knight hit his first career home run to highlight a 5-run second inning that helped the 16th-ranked UNC Pembroke baseball team cruise to a 10-2 series victory over Pitt-Johnston. It was this win that marked the sixth-straight series victory for the Braves (5-0). Some highlights during the spring season included a game in Anderson, SC, where the Braves got multiple hit outings from multiple players and used a six-run second inning to finish off a sweep with a 14-7 win over the Trojans. A home game against Montevallo totaled in three runs in the second, ending with an 8-0 win. Senior Ben Schmucker scored a total of three times along with senior Drew Cole, and rounding out the win was senior Jordan Edgerton, who turned in a pair of hits for the Braves as well. Leading up to the PBC Tournament, the Braves baseball team pounded out a winning sweep against GRU Augusta with a 15-4 win. Senior Zade Denton scored four times in the game.

Pitcher Jordan DeLoatch throws the ball from the mound.



The power behind this Brave's pitch gives the opponents a run for their money.

The Braves attempt to load the bases in the hopes of making the perfect play.





A rival team aims to get this Brave out, but the Brave gets to the base safely.

Daniel Fraga swings with all of his might to knock the ball out of the park.



2014 Baseball Roster

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Drew Beaver
 Drew Cole
 Aaron Spano
 Jordan DeLoatch
 Cody Trogon
 Brett Huffman
 Connor Pratt
 Logan Cook
 Zach Andrews
 Collin Kellermeyer
 Jimmie Davis
 Max Gagnon

Cody Adkins
 Parker Kelly
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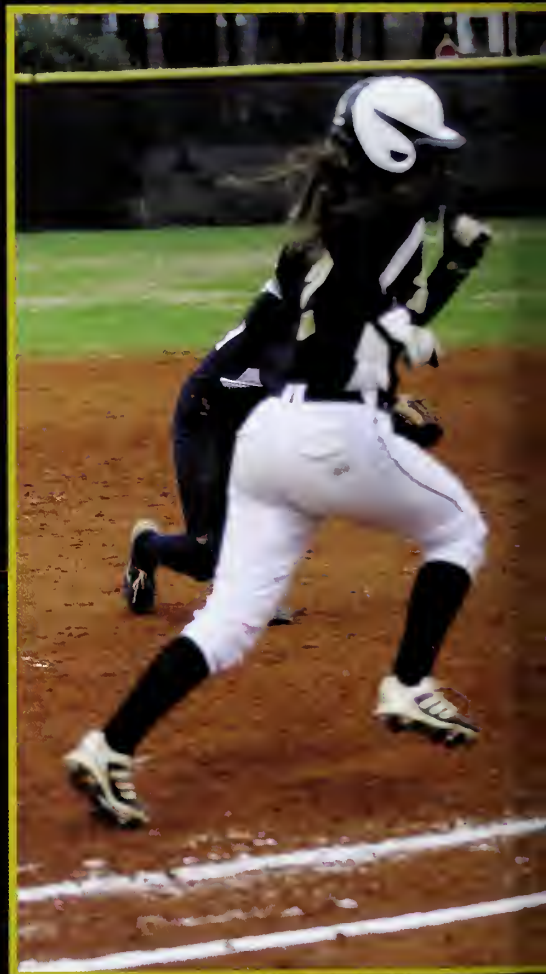
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11	MONTEVALLO	10
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6	MONTEVALLO	11
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10	CHOWAN	8
6	YOUNG HARRIS	3
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10	BARTON	8
8	GRU AUGUSTA	9
6	GRU AUGUSTA	14
15	GRU AUGUSTA	4
7	GEORGIA STATE	13

This Lady Brave aims to knock the ball out of the park before taking off for first base.

2014 SOFTBALL		
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2	MOUNT OLIVE	3
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10	ST. ANDREWS	2
4	ST. ANDREWS	3
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1	WINGATE	9
1	MOUNT OLIVE	0
14	WINGATE	3
5	CARSON-NEWMAN	4
4	BELLARMINE	2
0	LENOIR-RHYNE	2
3	LIMESTONE	5
0	LIMESTONE	3
0	CAT.AWBA	2
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2	FRANCIS MARION	3
0	USC AIKEN	1
5	USC AIKEN	6
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4	PFEIFFER	1
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6	FLAGLER	2
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The catcher tosses the ball back to the pitcher, aiming to maintain a fast pace during the game.



This Brave runs towards first base in an intense play.

QUEEN OF DIAMONDS

The 2014 Softball team proved to be ruthless and adaptable after a 7-win out of 10-game series. UNCP won their first game of the series against West Georgia in a close 6 to 5 victory. UNCP suffered a subsequent loss to Concord. However, the UNCP softball team retaliated with a 3-game winning streak crushing Kutztown and Barton. Mount Olive was able to take a win with a 3 to 2 score over UNCP. But the softball team ended the series strong with another

3-game winning streak. Once they started conference play, the going got tougher. Although they were swept by Armstrong Atlantic to close out the season, their 8-14 record in the PBC was the best since 2012, and they finished the season 22-24 overall. Senior Natalie Klemann received conference and district all-academic honors, and Brea Hartley and Taylor Cloninger were on the PBC All-Conference first team for the second year in a row.



A powerful pitch is delivered by UNCP's Natalie Klemann aiming to get a strikeout.



Softball—Caitlin Steel, Dakota Leviner, Selena Ashley, Katy Austin, Whitney Jackson, D'Andra Spinks, Megan Hillard, Shelby Morgan Davis, Kaytee Wilson, Taylor Cloninger, Natalie Klemann, Karlee Wilson, Brea Hartley

DIFFERENT STROKES FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS

The tennis team had a strong showing at the Converse Fall Classic after finishing 9-7 in the spring of 2014. At the Belmont Abbey Invitational, they captured victories in both doubles and all three singles matches against Belmont Abbey and battled Coker and Queens to highlight action for the Braves over the tournament. The team faced tough competition from GRU Augusta and Florida Tech in singles and doubles action during the first day of the Georgia College Collegiate Championships. The team wrapped up Fall competition at the Georgia College Collegiate Championships. The spring 2015 season would be their last, as the university announced changes in the 2015-16 sports lineups in March 2015.

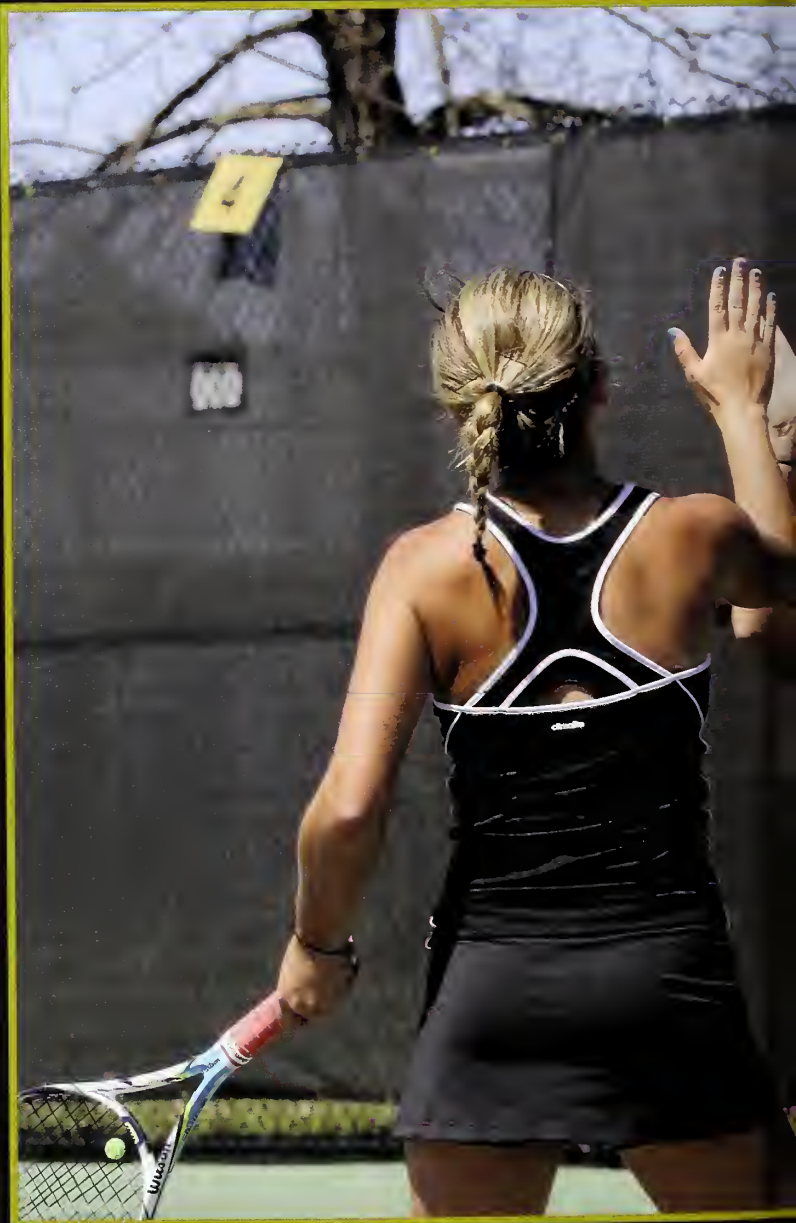
Men's golf also had their final outing this spring, with sophomore JC McFadyen capturing individual medalist honors at the Campbell Oil/Sunoco Classic. This was a bright spot following a disappointing 2014 season after winning the Anderson Invitational. Our women golfers fared better, winning the 2014 PBC championship as well as several other tournaments. New-comer Savannah Thompson did well enough to earn a berth in the NCAA II South Super Regional, where she finished 43rd. The women will be back on the course for UNCP in the fall of 2015.

MEN'S GOLF

ANDERSON INVITATIONAL.....	1 ST
BRICKYARD CROSSING INTERCOL.	T-8TH
AFLAC/COUGAR INVITATIONAL.....	T-12TH
MYRTLE BEACH INTERCOLLEGIATE	11TH
SPRING KICK-OFF INTERCOLLEGIATE..	5TH
RICHARD RENDLEMAN INVITATIONAL...	2ND
BOBCAT INTERCOLLEGIATE	T-7TH
BEARCAT GOLF CLASSIC	8TH
CAMPBELL OIL/SUNOCO CLASSIC	5TH
PBC CHAMPIONSHIP	3RD

WOMEN'S GOLF

TUSCULUM FALL CLASSIC	1 ST
LADY BEARCAT INVITATIONAL	8TH
MYRTLE BEACH INTERCOLLEGIATE	6TH
PATSY RENDLEMAN INVITATIONAL.....	1 ST
KIAWAH ISLAND INTERCOLLEGIATE ...	T-6TH
WORLD GOLF VILLAGE INVITATIONAL ..	9TH
LADY PIRATE INVITATIONAL	4TH
PINEHURST CHALLENGE	4TH
US WOMEN'S INVITATIONAL.....	3RD
PBC CHAMPIONSHIP	1 ST
NCAA SOUTH SUPER REGIONAL.....	NTS





Andy Brave teeing off hopes for a in one, while a teammate on the (above) checks to see if the ball h its destination.

2014 Golf—Women: Angela Adams, Laura Bird, Lizzie Bundy, Gabby Milam, Lacy Mirovich, Rebecca Mirovich, Emily Smith, Kelly Sumner, Ashlii Thompson, Dana Watkins;
Men: Aaron Abts, Lewis Adams, Trent Cloninger, Riley Davis, Kendall Dunn, Ian Locklear, Hunter McCombs, J.C. McFadyen, Rielly Morton, Michael Mullmann

2014 Tennis—Shelby Bickel, Madeline DiNunzio, Monica Espitia, Hannah Herlocker, Leigh-Anne McAfee, Morgan Sheehan, Gabriela van Ooststroom



The Lady Braves on the left are psyched about tennis; a powerful hit is delivered by their teammate (right).

TENNIS		
UNCP		OPP.
8	CATAWBA	1
8	CHOWAN	1
1	USC AIKEN	8
6	YOUNG HARRIS	3
1	NORTH GEORGIA	8
0	ARMSTRONG STATE	9
9	SHEPHERD	0
9	KENTUCKY WESLEYAN	0
9	CONN. COLLEGE	0
6	BARTON	3
3	GRU AUGUSTA	6
2	MONTEVALLO	7
3	CLAYTON STATE	6
9	BELMONT ABBEY	0
7	GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN	2
4	LANDER	5

ON YOUR MARK, GET SET, GO!

Opening the track and field season on a high note Senior Shaquille Ray placed third in the 60m sprint, crossing the finish line in a time of 6.86 seconds. Continuing an outstanding performance Ray accomplished a fifth place finish in the 200m sprint. Another Brave, Dillian Perry, placed top 20 in the shot put. Ray was arguably the season's star performer being the fastest NCAA Division II athlete.

The UNC Pembroke women's track and field opened up the 2014 season with a trio of new indoor school records as newcomer Jeonna Taylor and veteran Jani Perez etched their way into the record books to highlight action for the Braves at the JDL College Kick-Off Classic. In Winston-Salem junior Fatima Funderburk achieved a new personal best of 26.83 seconds in the 200m sprint.

The Men's 2014 cross country season opened with a first place finish as Braves Wilson Pearson, Joel Johnson, and Tim Sigmon all placed within the top ten. In the second meet of the season the Braves saw a second consecutive win with Pearson and Sigmon being joined by teammate Matt Reith, all finishing in the top four. Being quoted at this point in the season, UNCP head coach Peter Ormsbysaid, "We ran a smart and conservative race plan. We came away with some great individual and team finishes." The following three out of the season's five meets saw the men's country team being placed in the top three marking a highly successful and commendable season. The men's team collectively logged 179 points resulting in a sixth place finish at the NCAA Division II Southeast Regional Championship.

The women's season followed suit of the successful commencement of the men's season, placing the Braves in the top three of the first two meet. The women's cross country team garnered an overall 14th place finish at the NCAA Division II Southeast Region Championship.

Running for the finish line, this UNCP brave aims for first place with determination etched across his face.



2014 Women's Cross Country—Kyndal Boykin, Kellie Chapman, Kendra Dorn, Savannah Fornshell, Kristin Garner, Catherine George, Olivia Lowman, Brittany McGilberry, Julie Sem, Lea Tardanico, Emily Vance



2014 Men's Cross Country—Nebiyu Aynu, Micah Baldwin, Jamar Davis, Joel Johnston, Tyler Lever, Tyler Moore, Nate Nash, Andrew Nguyen, Wilson Pearson, Nathan Pollard, Matt Reith, A.J. Sayers-O'Neill, Tim Sigmon, Nick Tamburo, Curtis Haynie, Spencer Waters, Jordan Wilson

A powerful throw is delivered here by one of UNCP's field athletes.





2014 MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

TAR HEEL OPEN	NTS
USC GAMECOCK INVITATIONAL.....	NTS
UNCW SEAHAWK INVITATIONAL	7TH
CC SHAMROCK INVITATIONAL.....	NTS
RALEIGH RELAYS.....	NTS
WOFFORD COLLEGE TERRIER RELAYS.	NTS
CC CHANTICLEER CLASSIC	NTS
PBC CHAMPIONSHIPS.....	4TH
AGGIE LAST CHANCE MEET.....	NTS

2014 WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

TAR HEEL OPEN	NTS
USC GAMECOCK INVITATIONAL.....	NTS
UNCW SEAHAWK INVITATIONAL	5TH
CC SHAMROCK INVITATIONAL.....	NTS
RALEIGH RELAYS.....	NTS
WOFFORD COLLEGE TERRIER RELAYS.	NTS
CC CHANTICLEER CLASSIC	NTS
PBC CHAMPIONSHIPS.....	4TH
AGGIE LAST CHANCE MEET.....	NTS

2014 MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

ROYALS TWILIGHT MEET.....	1ST
BULLDOG INVITATIONAL	1ST
CHARLOTTE INVITATIONAL.....	3RD
ROYALS CHALLENGE.....	2ND
SAND SHARK INVITATIONAL	5TH
PBC CHAMPIONSHIPS.....	2ND
NCAA II SE REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS.	6TH

2014 WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

ROYALS TWILIGHT MEET.....	3RD
BULLDOG INVITATIONAL	1ST
CHARLOTTE INVITATIONAL.....	8TH
ROYALS CHALLENGE.....	7TH
SAND SHARK INVITATIONAL	7TH
PBC CHAMPIONSHIPS.....	5TH
NCAA II SE REGION CHAMPIONSHIPS	14TH



This UNCP Brave hurdles to the finish line in an event in Myrtle Beach during the 2014 outdoor track season.

This Brave runs hard and fights off the competition, aiming to win this race.

Michael Doss punts the ball for the Braves.

The Braves offensive line blocks the rival team from sacking the quarterback.



This Brave defender pushes the rival team back.

Wide Receiver Jonathan Hough looks for the ball to be thrown.

FOOTBALL		
UNCP		OPP.
7	WINSTON-SALEM STATE	38
16	FAYETTEVILLE STATE	14
17	SHAW	20
3	WINGATE	21
6	NORTH ALABAMA	27
17	CATAWBA	30
6	NEWBERRY	13
17	TUSCULUM	20
7	VALDOSTA STATE	36
26	LIMESTONE	0





HIT 'EM HARD

For the past seven seasons UNCP has known Shane Richardson as the Braves' defensive coordinator. This year he became the program's head coach. Richardson sculpted one of the nation's best defenses and has mentored three of his defensive players to all-American honors. His first season as head coach was seen as a transitional season where he was laying the foundation for winning seasons to come. The Braves ended the season 2-8.

The weather delay didn't shake the Braves in the sixth annual Two Rivers Classic presented by Candy Sue's on September 14th at the Grace P. Johnson Stadium. The Braves scored a total of 16 points against Fayetteville State's 14 keeping UNCP's club perfect in the 6-game-old series against the Broncos. The Braves came within a single point before halftime with two successful field goals (22, 48 yards) after the Broncos scored 7 points at the game's opening possession. Three minutes into the second half the Braves secured the lead for the rest of the game with an outstanding 77-yard pass from Seth Owen to George Whigham. Haskins's third field goal (26 yards) pushed the Braves' advantage to 16-7. The Broncos would score again in the fourth quarter ending the game with the Braves' first win of the season. Some play makers included Seth Owen throwing 241 yards on 20-of-29 passing, Whigham's career-best 87 receiving yards on 3 catches, and Mike Lawrence, who caught 2 of the 3 interceptions. The Braves sacked Fayetteville's quarterback five times and Blake Hickman totaled a team-best nine tackles. The



2014 Football—Jonathan Allen, Daniel Amponsah, Dan Atkins, Devonte Baker, Ray Baker, Ron-drick Bamberg, Josh Barbour, Garrett Barnett, Antoine Bostic, Coriyo Boyd, Dominique Bridges, Demetrius Briggs, Aarace Brooks, B.J. Bunn, David Butler, Rod Butts, Tra Chandler, Jeff Clark, Aaron Clay, Dock Corpening III, Dylan Davis, Matt Davis, Norman Deese, Phillip Derr, Michael Doss, Kenneth Dunston, Darcus Elliott, Demetrius Fairley, B.J. Fields, Brandon Fulton, Jaden Funder-burk, Ashton Gaines, Phillip Gause, Andrew Goodman, Xavier Hardison, Carvon Harrington, R.J. Harvin, Connor Haskins, Chris Hassard, Blake Hickman, Marquin Hill, Tyler Hinton, Charles Hol-loway III, Tirek Holloway, Ed Hopper, Jonathan Hough, Terron Huffman, Michael Isbell, Isaac Ja-cobs, Kendall Jacobs, Semorrick Jessup, Elliott Johnson, Scott Johnston, Tim Jordan, Mike Keck, Ian Kehrley, Lawrence Keys, Jordon Kornegay, Cody Lanier, Cameron Laspada, Mike Lawrence, Austin Locklear, Rick Mack, Carlos Manning, Josh Manns, Cadarreus Mason, Kendall Massey, James Maynard, Tyler Maynor, Ronnie Moore, Zelius Morrow, Martin Munn, Ivory Myers, Da-vid Onyiego, Seth Owen, Chuck Oxendine, Chris Palmer, Joshua Parrish, Dolphus Pearson, Tom-mey Pettis, Trevor Phillips, Reggie Pinner, Scott Plescia, James Posey, Conner Preston, Marcus Raynor, John Rich, Stedman Rush, Corey Schulz, Reggie Scott, Rontonio Stanley, Brian Staton, L.J. Stroman, Tyler Sweatt, Mat Turner, Kris Tyndall, Scott Tyson, Ulyess Upchurch, Khalil Vance, Pete West, George Whigham, Josh White, Tamari White, Demarcus Whitehurst, Zach Wilcox, Darius Williams, Dee Williams, Elijah Williams, Antoine Williamson

Braves suffered a signifi-cant loss against Valdosta State before the season finale against Limestone. Richardson said in an in-terview after the loss, "I think it's a good building block to what the future is going to look like...I want them to understand they were a part of a great process that began and as we mature here, as we develop, and as we grow I want them to understand they were at the forefront of that in this year of diffi-culty..." The team was able to bounce back from their loss against 18th ranked Valdosta State, with an amazing shut out against Limestone for the season finale. The game snapped the Braves out of a seven-game losing streak to finish the season strong with a final score of 26-0.

Kevin Vigebo (right) runs to the ball to secure possession; Clayton Cannaway (center) defends against the rival team.

Goalkeeper Kenneth Perkinson (below) kicks the ball to teammates down the field; Sid Peterson (bottom) helps to defend against rival scoring.



MEN'S SOCCER

UNCP		OPP.
0	MOUNT OLIVE	1
0	WINGATE	2
0	GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN	1
3	BREVARD	3
0	MONTEVALLO	0
1	BARTON	0
2	CLAYTON STATE	1
0	FRANCIS MARION	0
1	FLAGLER	2
2	LANDER	1
5	MARS HILL	0
1	NORTH GEORGIA	0
1	ERSKINE	2
0	YOUNG HARRIS	4
0	USC AIKEN	1
1	CHOWAN	0



GET YOUR KICKS

The men's soccer team ended their season with 8 wins, 8 losses, and 1 tie. There was total of 26 goals scored, averaging 1.5 goals per game and 12.9 shots per game. Some highlights of this season would be the Braves making their appearance of the season in the Bennett Rank Division II Men's Soccer Rankings at 22nd out of 207 teams. The men's soccer team also made their first appearance of the season in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) Division II National Pre-season Rankings. Sophomore James Casserly scored his third goal in the last two games on a header in the 37th minute. Senior Ryan Hanson was named PBC Goalkeeper of the Week twice. Senior co-captain Jeff MacDonald was named PBC Defensive Player of the Week. The Braves beat the visiting Georgia Southwestern with two rebound shots and a penalty kick to finish the match with a 3-0 victory. Senior Payne Clark was given the title of PBC Defensive Player of the week. Daniel Bough and Sam Miles were added to the College Sports Information Directors of America academic all-district first team. Junior Sam Miles was also the only member of men's soccer to be added to the 2013 Men's Soccer PBC All-tournament team. Seven members were named to the 2013 Peach Belt Conference men's soccer all-academic team and two graced the honorable mention team.



Nathan Legge moves the ball towards a goal for victory.



Men's Soccer—Kenneth Perkinson, Clayton Gannaway, Ricky Chavez, Tom Devitt, Rico Laitinen, Nathan Legge, Reece Rooney, Murray, Branco Theis, Kevin Vigebo, Hayden Poell, Johannus Cuarezma, Sam Miles, Hayden Little, Zach Morris, Josh Phelps, Alex Garcia, José Hernandez, Tarnue Jallah, Tyler Grissett, Alejandro Pena Osorio, Brett Luccia, Sid Peterson, Jordan Alread

WE GOT THE BEAT(LES)!

The UNCP Spirit of the Carolinas Marching Band is the heart-beat of our campus, performing at home and away football games as well as at parades, festivals, and other campus events. Each year, the band changes its halftime show, and this year's featured the music of the Beatles. Their performances appealed to fans of all ages, with the intricate moves and colorful flags of the drill team adding to the spectacle.

Begun in the Fall of 2003, this is the most visible of the UNCP bands, providing color and pageantry for UNCP Athletics and enriching university life. The band also accepts invitations to perform at high school marching band exhibitions. Members of the band enjoy having a break from classroom work while building leadership skills and lifelong friendships.



Oom-Pah-Pah! What would a marching band be without the Sousaphones (top) to help provide the beat?





The drum line (far left) sets the beat and keeps the fans rocking, while the drill team (left and below) adds color and movement to the halftime show.

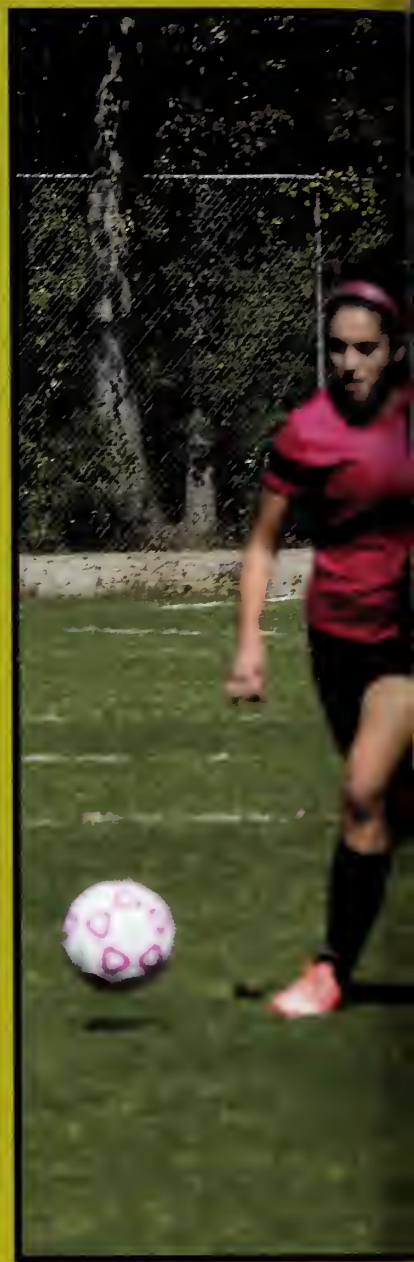


Fans in the stands enjoy the melodies provided by the woodwinds and the brass during the band's halftime show.

RESPECT ALL, FEAR NONE

The UNCP Women's Soccer team got off to a great start during the 2014 fall season. With an overall record of 11-5-3 the women's soccer team ended up in fourth place in the Peach Belt Conference. Overall, the team played 19 games scoring 43 goals in total with a 0.94 goals against average. The Lady Braves started off the season with a 3-0 win over Queens University, with 2 goals from junior Forward Rae-Shawna Campbell assisted by sophomores Carolina Sanchez and Amber Watkins. Sophomore midfielder Watkins also tallied a goal assisted from freshman Courtney Crump. The Lady Braves also held an unbeaten away game streak, beating teams like Georgia Southwestern, Pfeiffer, Flagler, Lander, Georgia College, and Mount Olive. The team went on to tie region rivals Wingate 1-1 and Peach Belt Conference Rivals USC Aiken 1-1 on the road.

At the end of the season, junior forward Rae-Shawna Campbell, freshman defender Jasmine Senecal-Guzman, and sophomore midfielder Amber Watkins earned the PBC 2nd Team All-Conference award. Four Lady Braves also earned spots on the NCCSIA All-Region Team, Two members earned the Daktronics All-Region Team, and two members earned spots on the NC-SAA All Region team.



2014 Women's Soccer—Kerinn Hall, Quay Mills, Katie Watkins, Rae-Shawna Campbell, Julie Fisher, Courtney Crump, Savannah Jasmine Jordan, Amber Watkins, Michelle Brown, Hannah Baysden, Lovisa Gustafsson, Alexis Hurd, Jasmine Senecal-Guzman, Michelle Hernandez, Cassie DeQueiroz, Carolina Sanchez, Riley Kane, Kimsey Collins, Janae Aiken



The Lady Braves sport pink jerseys in their 2-0 win against Young Harris (left). Goalie Janae Aiken (far left) kicks the ball to the Braves down the field.



Captain Julie Fisher runs to send the ball down the field to her teammates.

WOMEN'S SOCCER		
UNCP		OPP.
3	QUEENS	0
1	WINGATE	1
10	GA SOUTHWESTERN	1
1	CATAWBA	2
2	MONTEVALLO	1
7	EMMANUEL	0
1	PFEIFFER	0
0	CLAYTON	3
1	ARMSTRONG STATE	2
3	FLAGLER	2
3	LANDER	0
1	GEORGIA COLLEGE	0
3	MOUNT OLIVE	0
1	NORTH GEORGIA	1
2	YOUNG HARRIS	0
1	USC AIKEN	1
0	COLUMBUS STATE	2



The Braves goalie looks on as her teammate launches the ball down the field.

The Lady Brave on the left runs to keep the other team away from the ball.

VOLLEYBALL

UNCPE	OPP.
0	ST. CLOUD STATE 3
0	WEST GEORGIA 3
3	SOUTHERN ARKANSAS 0
1	TEXAS A&M KINGSVILLE 3
0	FLAGLER 3
0	WINGATE 3
0	ERSKINE 3
3	PAINE 0
3	CARSON-NEWMAN 2
3	EMMANUEL 2
3	ELIZABETH CITY STATE 0
3	MOUNT OLIVE 1
1	LANDER 3
2	USC AIKEN 3
3	COKER 1
3	WINSTON-SALEM STATE 0
2	FRANCIS MARION 3
0	ARMSTRONG STATE 3
1	GEORGIA COLLEGE 3
1	GRU AUGUSTA 3
3	FLAGLER 1
3	ELIZABETH CITY STATE 0
1	MONTEVALLO 3
3	COLUMBUS STATE 2
0	USC AIKEN 3
0	LANDER 3
3	FAYETTEVILLE STATE 0
3	VIRGINIA UNION 0
3	MOUNT OLIVE 2
1	FRANCIS MARION 3
0	ARMSTRONG STATE 3
0	KING 3
0	GRU AUGUSTA 3
3	GEORGIA COLLEGE 2
3	FAYETTEVILLE STATE 0
1	COLUMBUS STATE 3
2	MONTEVALLO 3
0	WEST GEORGIA 3

Ka'asha Jeffries (center) hits the ball over the net. The Lady Brave below jumps up to make sure she hits the ball with all her power. The Lady Braves on the far right wear pink in their march to victory. Each year the Lady Braves volleyball team participates in a "Think Pink" match to raise awareness of breast cancer; this is one of many ways in which our student athletes serve the community as well as their sports.



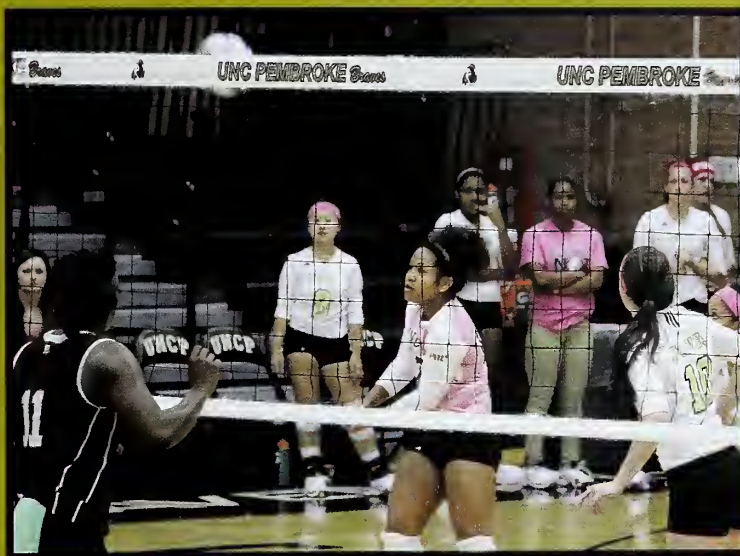
All of these Braves are ready to send the ball right back over the net.



BUMP! SET! SPIKE!

The UNCP Braves volleyball team won 16 games against 22 losses in their 2014 season. During the unofficial season at the 2014 Rollins Tournament the Lady Braves dominated Southern Arkansas while losing their other three matches. They also had a tough start to the official 2014-2015 season losing their first three games as well. With determination and perseverance the Lady Braves continued to push through the season. Making their presence known, the Lady Braves dominated the GRU Augusta Tournament winning all of their games, defeating Pain, Carson Newman, and Emmanuel.

Following the GRU Augusta Tournament the Braves continued their winning streak conquering Elizabeth City State 3-0 and Mt. Olive 3-1, scoring the season's highest hitting percentage, a .250, as well as presenting the best kills, with a total of 61 during the match against Mt. Olive, with 19 of those kills by Nicole Matthews. The Lady Braves then later fell to strong play of their next two opponents, losing 3-1 to Lander and 3-2 to Coker.



The Braves went into the middle of the season with a fair amount of wins and losses. They fell short against Francis Marion, Armstrong State, GRU Augusta, and USC Aiken, but they triumphed over Flagler, Fayetteville State, Virginia Union, and Georgia College. The Lady Braves fought hard until the end of the 2014 season but closed the season with three losses, their final game being a 0-3 loss to West Georgia.



2014 Volleyball—Jamee Bird, Ka'asha Jefferies, Jada Vernon, Caroline Pridgen, Patrice Jenkins, Cecilia Brandon, Sabrina Gonzalez, Josephine Yang, Nicole Mathews, Kirsten Mills, Mckala Bozman, Danielle Brown, Mallory Davis

MEN'S BASKETBALL

UNCP	OPP.
98	LENOIR-RHYNE 90
82	CATAWBA 75
81	FAYETTEVILLE STATE 74
81	SOUTHERN WESLEYAN 49
82	ALLEN 65
79	WINGATE 69
95	FAYETTEVILLE STATE 88
84	LANDER 99
86	MOUNT OLIVE 74
76	COLUMBUS STATE 72
89	GEORGIA COLLEGE 77
69	COKER 61
82	GRU AUGUSTA 76
65	USC AIKEN 55
91	MONTEVALLO 75
68	FRANCIS MARION 66
78	NORTH GEORGIA 71
66	CLAYTON STATE 69
79	GA SOUTHWESTERN 72
55	GRU AUGUSTA 57
65	FLAGLER 64
74	USC AIKEN 65
67	YOUNG HARRIS 72
69	LANDER 56
93	ARMSTRONG STATE 75
105	FLAGLER 91
115	ARMSTRONG STATE 92
88	FRANCIS MARION 79
88	GA SOUTHWESTERN 83
68	MONTEVALLO 73
89	COLUMBUS STATE 82
59	MONTEVALLO 78

Keysheen Hinton, a sophomore who plays at both the forward and guard positions, goes up for a lay up.

Senior Ben Jacobs prepares to shoot a free throw to help the Braves win the game.



2014-15 Men's Basketball—Brandon Watts, Chris Smith, Alex Bradley, Jihad Wright, Griffin Pittman, Daylan Fuller, Reggie Keysheen Hinton, Ben Jacobs, Jonathan Kistner, James McGhee, Tyler Thayer, Quamain Rose, Cody Hughes, Rob Brown, Lindsay, Brandon Winford, Tyler Kordenbrock

HE SHOOTS, HE SCORES!



Our men's basketball team started their exhibition season on the right foot, ending with 2 wins and 1 loss against the Ft. Bragg Army team, on their way to a 26-6 season, with 15 wins against Peach Belt Conference teams. They started the regular season strong defeating Lenoir Rhyne 98-90 and Catawba 82-75 during the SAC/PBC Challenge. They continued their winning streak with 8 wins in a row. These wins included one against Fayetteville state during the McDonalds Classic, the final score being 81-74.

The Braves' winning streak was ended by Lander; with a home advantage, they defeated the Braves 99-84. But this one loss did not keep the Braves down. The UNCP men's basketball team pushed on and gained themselves another winning streak that topped their previous streak with 9 wins in a row. The win against Montevallo gave basketball coach Ben Miller his 100th career victory.



The UNCP Men's basketball team has experienced much success during the 2014-2015 season. They won over 20 games this season and for the first time in 20 years they defeated an NCAA Division One opponent, UAB, by one point, and that was only the beginning of the season.

Looking to take control of the ball Quamain Rose stays focused and alert on the court.



Determined and ready to win, the Braves show no mercy as they keep control of the ball.

This Brave plays defense and looks to take control of the ball.

Senior forward Jazmine Kemp (right) gets past her opponent to score.

Guards Jasmine Huntley (13) and Airico Williams (23) move the ball down the court.



WOMEN'S BASKETBALL		
UNCP		OPP.
43	FAYETTEVILLE STATE	54
51	MOUNT OLIVE	37
60	LIVINGSTONE	62
51	WINGATE	56
58	COKER	61
41	LANDER	68
48	CHOWAN	69
55	COLUMBUS STATE	74
46	GEORGIA COLLEGE	64
64	ST. ANDREWS	32
59	GRU AUGUSTA	33
48	USC AIKEN	49
59	MONTEVALLO	48
55	FRANCIS MARION	50
50	NORTH GEORGIA	59
69	CLAYTON STATE	59
64	GA SOUTHWESTERN	67
47	GRU AUGUSTA	55
46	FLAGLER	50
53	USC AIKEN	58
65	YOUNG HARRIS	60
58	LANDER	78
67	ARMSTRONG STATE	58
69	FLAGLER	49
60	ARMSTRONG STATE	72
63	FRANCIS MARION	38

NET PROFITS

The UNC Pembroke women's basketball team held visiting Francis Marion to just 11 percent shooting in the second half and used 12 3-pointers, including eight in the final period alone, to storm past the Patriots, 63-38, in the season finale on February 25 in the English E. Jones Center. The Lady Braves (10-16 overall, 8-11 in the PBC) finished the regular season tied for fourth in the Peach Belt Conference's East Division, but did not make a return trip to the PBC Tournament by virtue of a tiebreaker (division record) with GRU Augusta.

Eboné Stevens came off the bench to score a career- and game-high 15 points on 5-of-7 shooting for the hosts, while Kierra Haney closed out her collegiate career with a bang by tallying her 15th career double-double with 11 points and a career-best 22 rebounds. Fellow senior Jazmine Kemp flirted with a triple-double, but finished off her career in the Black & Gold with eight points, nine rebounds and seven assists. Haney's rebounding performance was two shy of the school record currently held by Regina Darden.

Freshman Phoenicia Lawson shoots a free throw.





Katelyn Mitchell goes up for a layup.

UNCP players position themselves against their opponents as both teams wait to get the rebound.

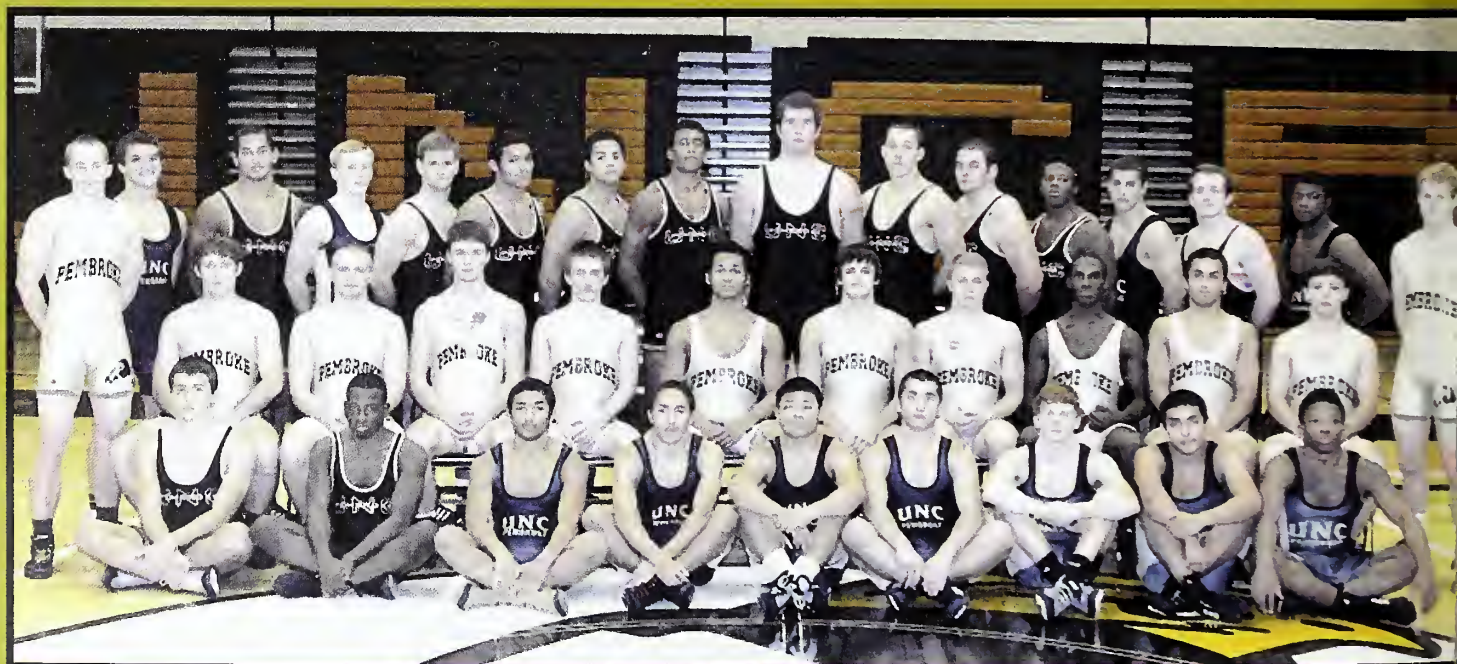
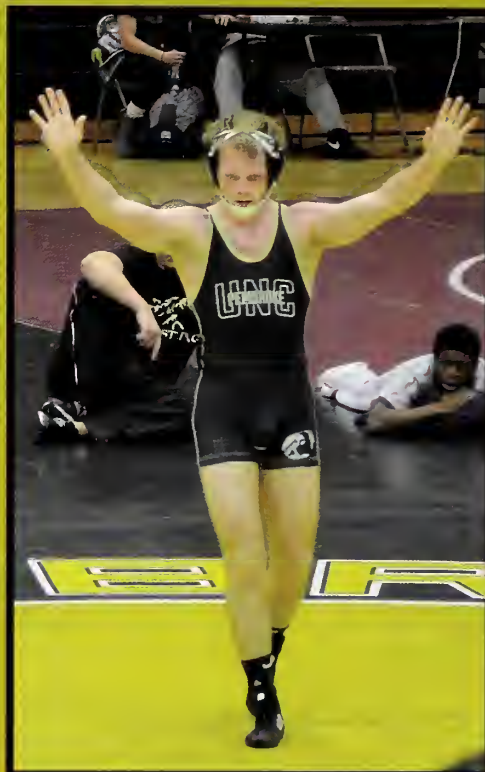


15 Women's Basketball—Crystal Hicks, Mary Robinson, Ashley McCray, Jasmine Huntley, Ashlyn Jones, Jazmine Kemp, Africa Fuller, Avae' Hardy, Airico Williams, Jonissa Monley, Kamille Horne, Eboné Stevens, Nadine Ealey, Katelyn Mitchell, Haney, Phoenicia Lawson, Dee Purdue

NO HOLDS BARRED

The season got off to a successful start with Terrence Zaleski getting a perfect five-match run through the 174-pound championship bracket, assisting UNCP in achieving their 11th rank at the beginning of the season. After a tumultuous campaign four of UNCP's Braves achieved perfect days in the semifinals, seeing Pembroke achieving a fourth place rank as of the first day of these semifinals. Defending national champion Daniel Ownbey began his day in the 141-pound championship with a technical fall over Limestone's Taylor Wickett and then grabbed his fourth-straight regional semifinal berth with a 10-3 win over King's Frank Yattoni. The story was much the same at 165 pound for Juan Stimpson, who tallied a 4-0 decision over Limestone's Taylor Wickett in his Friday opener before registering a first-period (2:59) pin of Newberry's Lukas Gilmore in the quarterfinals.

Marking the end of the NCAA 2015 Midwest Super Regional, Pembroke moved up from ninth place to an incredible fourth place. Chris Giddens, Ownbey, Stimpson, and Zaleski each earned a berth into the NCAA Division II Championships at Chaifetz Arena in St. Louis, Mo., where Ownbey (right) finished as national champion for the second year in a row. Just two weeks later, he was selected as the NCAA Midwest Region Wrestler of the Year. Ownbey reeled off a 36-2 record this season and closed out his senior campaign with 16-straight wins, including eight in the postseason. He tallied a 22-1 record against NCAA Division II competition, as well as a perfect 17-0 mark in dual meets. Ownbey made five trips to the podium in 2014-15, including three tournament championships. Ownbey finished his career in the Black & Gold as the most decorated student-athlete in the history of the program. A four-year starter for the Braves, Ownbey compiled a 134-18 (.882) career record, including an 83-12 (.874) mark against NCAA Division II competition. He made 20 trips to the podium over his storied four-year career, including taking home seven tournament titles.



2014-15 Wrestling—Reggie Allen, Danny Berrier, Josh Brown, Joey DiMartino, Dylan Edwards, Arie Freeman, Hayden Fry, Giddens, Chad Hoff, Michael Jones, Gerald Kincer, Quan Le, Casey Malloy, Ribyan McClain, Eric Milks, Andrew Moore, Cole Mu Stuart Nadeau, Daniel Ownbey, Joe Remaklus, Dakota Roberts, Xavier Ross, Caison Scott, Blaze Shade, Milo Shelton, Ha Smith, Jake Smith, Juan Stimpson, Jason Terrell, Mikey Thomas, Brach Walker, Josh Watts, Terrence Zaleski



This UNCP wrestler gets ready to grab his opponent and score a take-down.

This wrestling Brave scopes out the situation as he prepares to take on his rival.



WRESTLING

UNCP		OPP.
25	BELMONT ABBEY	17
15	AMERICAN	25
22	LINDSEY WILSON	13
9	NC STATE	29
24	CENTRAL FLORIDA	19
22	NASSAU CC	19
23	LIBERTY	14
20	COKER	15
27	ST. ANDREWS	18
9	LAKE ERIE	32
19	ASHLAND	18
23	FINDLAY	17
24	LIU POST	15
31	FERRUM	13
31	ANDERSON	11
15	NEWBERRY	18
26	LIMESTONE	9

This Brave performs one of his wrestling moves.

Bravehawk gets into it with the Spirit Squad and the fans during the game.



The horn section of the Pep Band keeps things lively during basketball games.



This Pep Band member adds tempo to the dance routines with his drumset.

This Spirit Squad member dances with one of the fans during halftime.



2014-15 Spirit Squad—Melia Bovard, Courtney Campbell, Gina Clymore, Raven Farmer, Krystal Gatewood, Dee Johnson, Georgiana McQueen, Dawnn Perkins, Briana Perry-Cooper, Kacey Rowe, Tosha Ruffin, Jada Tollinchi, Brooke Wall, Leah Wassilchak, Ashley Wood



Jada Tollinchi and other members of the Spirit Squad put on a show for the fans during halftime of a men's basketball game.



SPIRIT!

Our Spirit Squad and the Bravehawk mascot led the cheers and entertained the fans at football and basketball games, making sure that everyone got into the spirit of supporting the Braves. Members of the Pep Band provided music for the dance routines and also helped lift the fans's spirits.

Freshman Spirit Squad member Jada Tollinchi came to UNCP this year because of its "great" Criminal Justice program and because of the wide "variety of cultures" on our campus. She said that the most important thing she has learned from dancing at UNCP is to "respect other people's space and attitude."

Organizations are one of the many ways we are united in our diversity. Various religious groups and the Secular Student Alliance demonstrate our religious diversity. Then the legion of professional groups, such as the Accounting Students Association, and the Greek social organizations all add to the diversity. All of these groups bring our diverse student body together in support of common causes.



Greek organizations are a great example of the diversity of the campus. Non-Greek organizations are far more numerous and just as diverse.





Organizations





▲ Alpha Sigma Phi (ΑΣΦ)

Alpha Sigma Phi

Alpha Sigma Phi is the newest fraternity on campus. They came to UNCP at the start of the spring 2015 semester. Originally founded at Yale University in 1845, their motto is, "The cause is hidden, the results well-known." They have five philanthropic organizations they support: RAINN, Ronald McDonald House Charities, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Homes for our Troops, and the Humane Society. They had their colonization ceremony on March 27th. One of the events the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi have participated in is the sports empowerment event.

Phi Beta Sigma

Phi Beta Sigma was founded on the campus of Howard University in 1914. They focus on service. Their motto is, "Culture for service, Service for humanity." Nationally, Phi Beta Sigma focuses on issues that impact the African American community and the youth of the nation. Phi Beta Sigma has a variety of national programs they support to accomplish this. On our campus, Phi Beta Sigma holds the Miss Phi Beta Sigma Scholarship pageant. This is a smaller pageant that leads into a larger organization-wide one.

Sigma Alpha Iota

Sigma Alpha Iota (SAI) was originally founded on the campus of University of Michigan School of Music. They are an international women's music fraternity. They are both a social and professional fraternity. They were formed to "uphold the highest standards of music" and "to further the development of music in America and throughout the world." Sigma Alpha Iota has a charity arm that supports a variety of causes relating to music.

Zeta Phi Beta

Zeta Phi Beta is an international African American sorority founded on the campus of Howard University in 1920 with the support of Phi Beta Sigma. They have an emphasis on service, with their motto being, "A community-conscious, action-oriented organization." Their founding principles are scholarship, sisterly love, service, and finer womanhood. They have a charity arm that supports a variety of causes including scholarships for the sorority's members and education programs. On our campus Zeta Phi Beta held activities on their Founder's Day and held a Finer Womanhood Week.



▲ Phi Beta Sigma (ΦΒΣ)

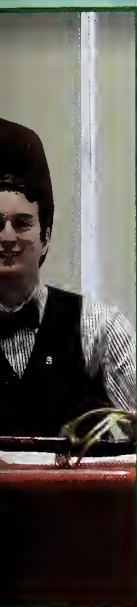
Photos

Three students recruit for Alpha Sigma Phi with leadership consultant Carey Ryan (right); sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota (below) have a table at the involvement fair.





Sigma Alpha Iota (ΣAI)



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take a group
after playing
the dark cap-
e flag (above);
ner of Phi Beta
tells a student
his brotherhood

Members

Alpha Sigma Phi: Alan Cruz, Bjorn Wright, Brandon Tester, Caleb Smith, Daniel Procnier, David Gazali, John Ware, Kevin Minogue, Mingyu Liao, Nicholas Kight, Robert Canida, Samuel Stewart, Thomas Happel

Phi Beta Sigma: Bottom row: Kenny Everette (secretary) Dustin Chavis (Parliamentary) Chris Palmer (treasure) Standing up (starting from the left): Emarion Best (Vice President), Kahlil Cooke, Spencer Demery, JaQuan Stinson, Aaron Kotay (President) Missing: Jamar Smith

Sigma Alpha Iota: Adijah Battle, Allyson Stoddard, Amanda Stokes, Amy Taylor, Brittany Wilson, Brittany Green, Cheri Ward, Christian Pierce, Dorianna Curry, Estelle Rodrigue, Hannah White, Heather Oliver, Kasey Bazan, Markie Ray, Nefretiri Bowman

Zeta Phi Beta: left to right, Sydney Robinson, Jaynell Brown, Aliyah Reid, Dezzarayi Powell, Nikita Newkirk, Onya Daye. Not in picture Brenna Smith, Kiara Cleveland, Raven Coots.



▲ Zeta Phi Beta (ZΦB)

Recent Activities

We participated in the sports empowerment event - Alpha Sigma Phi

We held the Miss Phi Beta Sigma Scholarship Pageant - Phi Beta Sigma

We have many charities that support a variety of causes relating to music - Sigma Alpha Iota

We held a Finer Womanhood Week - Zeta Phi Beta



▲ Alpha Sigma Alpha (ΑΣΑ)

Alpha Sigma Alpha

Alpha Sigma Alpha is a national sorority founded in 1901 at Longwood University. Their emphasis is developing women of poise and purpose, with their national motto being, *Aspire, seek, attain*. This year was the first full year ASA was on our campus. Their national philanthropies are the Special Olympics, the S. June Smith Center, and Girls on the Run International.

Kappa Delta

Kappa Delta is a national sorority that was founded in 1897 at Longwood University. Their national motto is, *"Let us strive for that which is honorable, beautiful, and highest."* They have several philanthropy groups they support, including the Girl Scouts of the USA, Prevent Child Abuse America, Orthopedic Reserch Awards, and Children's Hospital of Richmond Virginia. The ladies of Kappa Delta have held the Shamrock Dinner the past several years to raise money for Prevent Child Abuse America. They won the All-Academic Award and the Panhellenic Award for last year.

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Sigma Sigma Sigma, otherwise called Tri Sig, was founded at Longwood University in 1898. Their motto is, *Faithful unto death*. Tri Sig's national philanthropy is the Sigma Sigma Sigma foundation. The foundation has worked closely with one group called the Robbie Page Memorial. The Tri Sig sisters held their Rockin for Robbie event again this year to help the Robbie Page Memorial. Rockin for Robbie's main feature is a fun run through the campus with there also being carnival games on the side, Including one this year allowing you to pie a sister.

Zeta Tau Alpha

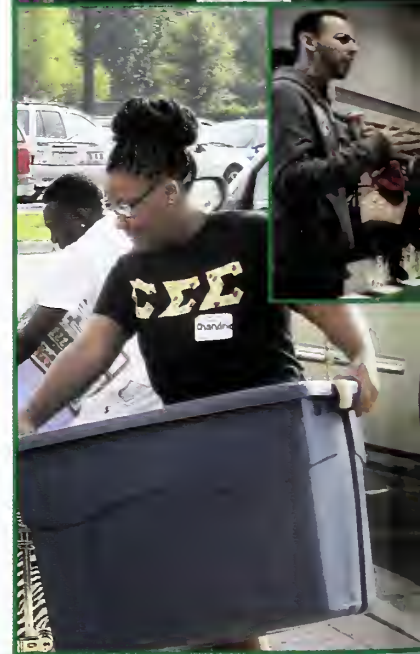
Zeta Tau Alpha was also founded at Longwood University in 1898. Their motto is, *"Seek the Noblest."* Their national philanthropy is breast cancer awareness and education. This year the sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha held their Big Man on Campus event, as well as their annual spaghetti dinner. They also held their Pink Lemondae Stand and Pink Zumbapalooza event. They won the ZTA crown chapter award, ZTA NC most improved GPA, ZTA NC mission award recipient, and 2014 Sorority of the year.



▲ Kappa Delta (ΚΔ)

Photos

A sister of Zeta Tau Alpha pins a ribbon on Officer Oxendine (right); Sisters of Alpha Sigma Alpha talk at the involvement fair (below).





Sigma Sigma Sigma (ΣΣΣ)



▲ Zeta Tau Alpha (ZTA)

Members

Alpha Sigma Alpha: Morgan Arnold, Jordan Bailey, Cailey Barr, Sydney Battle, Maria Chavez, Marlena Cummings, Alexis Dawson, Katie Deitrick, Mary Katharine Dudas, Victoria Felicetti, Jillian Flam, Shykeisha Garner, Ana Gudiel, Bianca Haywood, Summer Heath, Ja'Kayla Hill, Amanpreet Kaur, Simone Latt, Nicole Marple, Brittany Mason, Morgan Mayse, La-Tya McCallum, Kaitlin Meares, Lauren Metzger, Morgan Pettigrew, Ashlyn Phillips, Skyla Pryor, Mariam Qambar, Sarah Qambar, Autumn Scott, Caitlyn Simkin, Kelly Spainhour, Leah Starniola, Sierra Temple, Tybreisha Terry, Megan Tillman, Lyric Tray, Kayla Watson, Ashley Wheeler, Caitlin Walte,

Kappa Delta: Jenna Strader, Cammi McGee, Blair Gasney, Ashley Evans, Sarah Austin, Gina Clymare, Stephanie Brawn, Aliyah Lynch, Ashlee Ruffin, Amanda Bennett, Chelsea Barclay, Mary Miles, Michelle Hernandez, Kayla Baxley, Amber Gardner, Amanda Masley, Christina Palmer, Nakia Shumpert, Caitlin Steele, Elizabeth White, Breanna Hamby, Gwen McMillan, Meghan Taylor, Autumn Benson, Tyler Dial, Carly Edwards, Lauren Edwards, Nicole Gardnier, Ineshia Gaads, Alyssa Norton, Morgan Bishop,, Camillia McLean, Nicole Schallen, Katie Thompson, Demi Watkins, Bre White, Kimley Barton, Lagan Brill, Jenny Champhalpakdy, Andrea Dickens, Hailey Dickerson, Autumn Franks, Lila Navarra, Molly Metzger, Justine Norton, Brittnee Parker, Bailie Saeger, Ashley Stane, Emily Williard, Tabitha Youngs

Tri-Sigma: Alex Greene, Analuisa Saavedra, Angel Hawley, Annabel Russell, Anna Durant, Ashley Phillips, Ashley Evans, Breane Carswell, Brittany Wilkins, Candace Burge, Carrie Cavington, Carigan Harris, Chandria Baykin, Chloe Guevara, Christine Friedrich, Candeisha Galloway, Carney Lacklear, Delaney King, Destiny Kacurek, Dy Vick, Emily Ashley, Jeryl Burke, Jessica Garcia, Kaitlin Robertson, Kashana Crudup, Kayla Lacklear, Kendall Bauer, Kerri Schuller, Krystin Hanaaman, Madisan Ricks, Marissa Rymer, Molly Battleson, Rebecca Maran, Stephanie Braake Wall, Sydney Cax, Taylor Barber, Victoria Needham, Kat Purcell, Elise Quidley, Erica Beachum

Zeta Tau Alpha: Morgan, Barta, Emily Batton, Braake Bullock, Sarah Campbell, Amy Cardaza, Chaliss Cline, Hannah Cole, Tari Cook, Taylor Cooper, Kristin Craddock, Brandi Cross, Maira Dial, Katelyn, Damonie, Shania Datsan, Tiffany Elliott, Braake Evisizer, Alanna, Feliciano, Gabrielle Gaudet, Samantha Gamez, Emily Grealish, Shannon Green Hailey Harris, Shannon Humphrey, Zaie Hunt, Whitley Hunter, Claire Ingram, Camry Jacobs, Tieghlar Janysek, Julie Larsen, Ashley Litaker, Larissa Lowry, Anai Mendez, Katy Manroe, Janeva Moore, Alexandria, Morgan, Andrea Oviedo, Erin Paul, Natalie Porter, Katelyn Reid, Ashley Reith, Whitney Revels, Chyna Scott, Brianna Stanley, Summer Stanley, Elizabeth Strickland, Paige Strickland, Kyra Szaba, Ashley Thalasinas, Hannah Thornton, Hailey Usher

Recent Activities

We participated with the Special Olympics - Alpha Sigma Alpha

This year we held a Shamrock Dinner - Kappa Delta

We held the Rockin for Robbie event again this year - Tri-Sigma

We held our annual spaghetti dinner - Zeta Tau Alpha

Alpha Delta sister
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A sister of
Sigma Sigma
a freshman
at the start of
semester (left).



▲ Air Force ROTC

▲ SVA

Air Force ROTC

The Department of Aerospace Studies, otherwise known as Air Force ROTC, prepares select students to become commissioned officers. The unit here is a detachment of unit 607 operating out of Fayetteville State University. ROTC cadets undergo various training exercises to hone their leadership and technical skills to serve as officers in the Air Force. They also conduct PT sessions early in the morning to ensure they maintain a high degree of physical fitness. Students who undergo all four years are well on their way to becoming officers in the Air Force.

Student Veterans

Student Veterans of America (SVA) is an organization composed of currently serving military personnel, veterans, and dependents of military personnel. SVA does many different things to support veterans. On Veterans Day they put on a roll call to honor all of those from North Carolina who paid the ultimate price in the war on terror. They have participated in many community service events around this area.

Army ROTC

Army ROTC seeks to attract, motivate, and prepare selected students to serve as commissioned officers in the active or reserve components of the Army. It provides a practical understanding of the concepts and principles of military science; develops a strong sense of duty, honor, and country; promotes teamwork and individual fitness; and develops an understanding of and appreciation for international relations and national security. Attainment of these objectives prepares students for commissioning and establishes a solid foundation of their professional development and effective performance in the uniformed services or in civilian enterprise.

Photos

Farmer SVA Vice President Sam Standridge gets a card from the chancellor (right); ROTC cadets talk at a reception the Chancellor held (below).





Army ROTC

Members

Air Force ROTC: Tristen Locklear, Devonte Lee, Jay Ritchie, Alex P. Wanko, Christopher M. Dominguez and Jonathan Ruddiman.

Student Veterans: From left to right 1st row: Hope Mixon, Rosemarie Glenn, Dustin Chavis. From left to right 2nd row, Adam Franco, Jarrett Evens, Lety Richards, Rogers Stephens, Nicki Nail, Rocky Locklear

Army ROTC: Abigail Meeks, Andrew Wheeler, Austin Foshe, Austin Jenkins, Brandon McCaffrey, Cara Kellogg Cooley, Christian Negrón, Christopher Mitchell, David Hunt, Elyssia Lewis, Emani Duncan, Hillary Cheruiyot, Isiah Smith, Javier Carranza, Jonathan Ruddiman, Jordan Hodges, Julie Larsen, Kelly McGowan, Lydia Anderson, Lyric Troy, Micah Simpson, Michael Taylor, Noemy Castrejon, Paul Perez, Paul Lundstrom, Ricardo Carrasquillo-Ho, Ronald Goca, Ronald Scott, Sakile Cheltenham, Seth Larson, Sierra McRae, Taylor Goebel, Timothy Wells, Toni Chavis, Valery Quinones, Yesenia Gilfranco

Recent Activities

We are trained to become officers in the Air Force. - Air Force ROTC

We participated in many community service events in this area - Student Veterans

We learned things like Op Orders and troop-leading procedures so we can become officers. - Army ROTC

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▲ Cheerleading Club

Cheerleading Club

This is the first year the Competitive Cheer Club has existed. While it is still in the beginning stages of its life, this group of students, who all have different levels of experience, have worked towards performing at events like Relay for Life and just being accepted on campus as a legitimate group. This organization will eventually be attending competitions. The purpose of this club is to put cheering back into the school and offer an outlet to anyone who would like to join them. They help beginners looking to learn and experienced cheerleaders looking to advance their skills. Look for them to do big things in the future.

Intrigue Modeling

The purpose of Intrigue Modeling Troupe is to foster diversity through hands-on participation in activities providing educational leadership, programs, and services. This organization assists students with hands-on experience in the various styles of fashion and modeling. This organization seeks to promote personal growth, networking skills, communication skills, and potential for overall success that will lead to developing skills in leadership in different areas. One of the ways they gave back this year was through their Doll House Toy Drive Fundraising Show.

Model UN

The Model United Nations Club, otherwise called the MUN Club, is an organization that seeks to prepare delegates for Model United Nations (and similar) conferences. Students from many schools come together at various conferences and role play various countries from around the world at a mock session of the UN or other international organizations. Model United Nations is a class at this school, and the MUN Club functions as a support organization by raising funds and preparing delegates. It also allows people who are unable to attend the class to still participate in the various conferences.

National Broadcasting Society

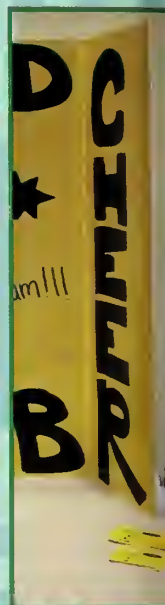
The National Broadcasting Society enhances the development of college students preparing for careers in the electronic media industries. The chapter on the campus of UNCP is designated Alpha Epsilon Rho. NBS-AERho connects students with practicing professionals; emphasizes industry ethics, diversity, and inclusiveness; and promotes opportunities for excellence in leadership, community service, and production. This year our NBS chapter participated in Relay for Life, attended the NBS National Convention in Atlanta, and also hosted National Broadcasting Week.



▲ Intrigue Modeling

Photos

A member of the Cheerleading Club recruits members at the involvement fair (right).





Model UN



Model UN members represent at a conference (left).

Members

Cheerleading Club: Allyson Watts, Aneesa McKenzie Thompson, Breanna Dick, Christian McGougan, Beth Storey, Kaylee Buckley, Meagan Sessoms, Natavia Morris

Intrigue Modeling: Amanda Hiser, Brandon Hignite, Breonna Denson, Briana Johnson, Brianna McLean, Celeste Jackson, Charlie Jah, Chaslyn Stanfield, David Green, Dustin Chavis, Erin Aiken, Jael Pembrick, Jaliyah Ingram, Jasmine Sharpe, Jessica Harris, Jordan Kendrick, LaVianca Ledbetter, Nuekie Opata, Philip Otidanguah, Serenity McLean

Model UN: Andrew Yarborough, Brian Edwards, Caramon Baldwin, Dajer Fernandez, Demetrius Edwards, Jordin Dickerson, Kimberly Scales, Logan John, Maureen Johnston, Nathalie Hernandez, Nicholas Palmer, Oscar Rodriguez, Tanner O'Quin, Terry McPherson

National Broadcasting Society: Allyn Chavous, Annabel Russell, Ashley Wood, Constance Faulk, Dakota Young, Jeffrey Weeks, Jonathan Bym, Jonathan Fernandez, Joseph Le Fevre, Krystal Dean, Lucas Nelson, Malik Worrells, Matthew Campbell, Scott Benke, Sydney Powell, Victoria Huggins

▲ National Broadcasting Society

Recent Activities

We have performed at Relay For Life - Cheerleading Club

We held our Doll House Toy Drive Fundraising Show - Intrigue Modeling

We went to Model Arab League and the Southern Regional Model United Nations Conference. - MUN Club

We hosted National Broadcasting Week - National Broadcasting Society



▲ Chi Sigma Iota (XΣI)

Chi Sigma Iota

Chi Sigma Iota is an international honor society that values academic and professional excellence in counseling. The chapter on campus is designated the Phi Sigma chapter. They promote a strong professional identity through members who contribute to society by fostering wellness through treatment, social justice, and advocacy for human dignity. They held five Professional Development Academies: Advocacy Training, a Social Justice Symposium, Culturally Competent You!, Counseling Military Families, Training on the DSM-V, and an NCE Test Prep class,

Honors Council

The Esther G. Maynor Student Honors Council provides opportunities for honors students. The Council plans events and, through the input of its members, attempts to provide the best possible experience for those in the Honors College. This year the Honors Council held the following events: A Welcome Back Event, "Speed Dating" Meet and Greet, Honors College Volleyball, Maynor Honors College Birthday Party, North Carolina Honors Association Conference, a Canoe Trip down the Lumber River, Professional Development Seminars, Yoga, Game Night in the Hawk's Nest, and a Spring Cookout.

Greener Coalition

The Greener Coalition promotes repairing, as well as renewing, our community. They discuss environmental issues and find solutions to better the campus and community, educating and also encouraging healthy life styles and promoting eco-friendly technology. The Greener Coalition partnered with the Office of Sustainability in order to implement a plan of action to reduce energy usage on campus. Some other things they did were the NCP Campus Garden Project, Tree Campus USA in planting trees around campus, and implementing the Real Food Challenge and NC 10% partnerships.

Phi Alpha

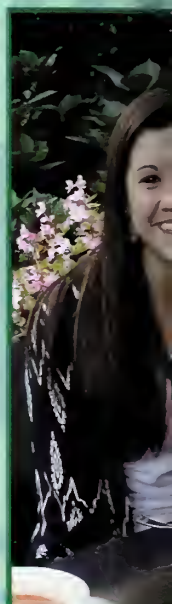
Phi Alpha is an honor society for social workers. It is a national organization that connects social work students to each other and people who are already social workers. The purpose of the organization is to advance excellence in social work practice and to encourage, stimulate, and maintain scholarship of the individual members in all fields, particularly in Social Work. They received national recognition this year. One of their major events every year is to hold their induction and recognition ceremony.



▲ Honors Council

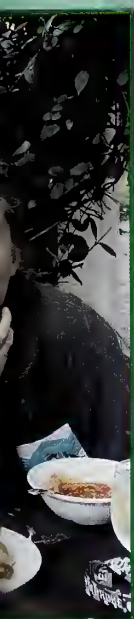
Photos

Two students (right) goof around at the Chancellor's Dinner, an event attended by many members of honors societies.





Greener Coalition



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he end of the
2014 semester.

Members

Chi Sigma Iota: Dr. Shenika Jones (Incoming Chapter Faculty Advisor [CFA], Dr. Angela McDonald (CFA), Vanessa Doran (President/Elect/Secretary), Robyn Hale (President), Jarrett Evans (Treasurer), Dr. Jeffrey Warren (CFA), Dr. Nicole Stargell (Incoming CFA)

Honors Council: First Row (left to right): Mary Grace Curiale, Brittany Worley, Brandi Guffey, Linda Council, Cassidy Miles, Madison Wilcox, Kristine Gooch, Lauren Wise Second Row (left to right): Ian Fennell, Christian Ryckley, Berri Locklear, Christopher Chapman, Jacob Brown Not pictured: Brandon Blackwell, Stephanie Brown, Lindsey Ebaugh

Greener Coalition: Robert Hamilton, Sara Oswald, Sam Miles, Emily Ashley, Kara Stomp, Sara Owen, Ana Caudil, Bessie Barns, Manuel Meija

Phi Alpha: Adam Franco, Oscar Rodriguez, Michael Baker, Luke Nelson, Hannah Stanford, Zachary Ford, Katelyn Hamilton, Marie Fulp, Ian Fetteroff, Beth Storey, Christina Dawkins, Christian Happell, Donte Harris.



▲ Phi Alpha (ΦΑ)

Recent Activities

We held the Culturally Competent You! this year - Chi Sigma Iota

This year we held the Honors College Volleyball Event - Honors Council

We did the NCP Campus Garden Project this year - Greener Coalition

We held our annual inclusion and recognition ceremony - Phi Alpha



▲ Pembroke Pre-Law Society

▲ RISE

Pembroke Pre-Law Society

The Pre-Law Society is a newer organization on campus. The purpose of the society is to promote the understanding of the legal profession, the law, and government operation; to assist its members in the processes of entering the legal profession; and to recognize and encourage scholarship and leadership among UNCP pre-law students. Some of their major events happening this year were their trips to law school forums and fairs and free LSAT prep courses.

RISE

The Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) program seeks to help create a more diverse research work force by working to prepare UNCP students to be the research scientists of the future and to support and enhance an atmosphere conducive to undergraduate research in the sciences at UNCP. Students who are accepted and participate in the RISE program will participate in activities designed to enhance their confidence, academic skills, and technical abilities.

SHRM

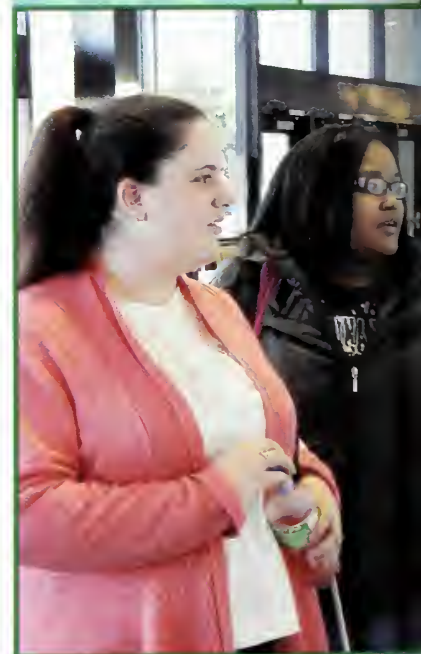
The Society for Human Resource Management is a global HR professional organization that exists to build and sustain partnerships, provide a community for human resource professionals, proactively provide thoughtful leadership, education, and research to human resource professionals, and serve as an advocate to ensure that policy makers are aware of key concerns in organizations. They have multiple speaking engagements about human resources and business, competed in a regional competition, and sponsored several fundraising events and community service projects.

National Art Education Association

The National Art Education Association UNCP Student Chapter has as its mission to educate children and adults about art education and its importance in school systems and attending events that help children learn art history and its importance. This year NAEA member Joan Blackwell held an art show in the GPAC lobby where her artwork was showcased to students. In addition the group held a series of fundraisers to raise money to go to their national conference.

Photos

NAEA member Joan Blackwell (right) explains one of her paintings.





SHRM



▲ NAEA

Members

Pre-Law: Bessie Gilreath, Carole Graham, Demetrius Edwards, Justin Craig, Leah Williams, Sheena Ibasca

RISE: First Row L/R: Catheryn Wilsan, Justin Branch, Paul Lascuna, Alexander McGirt, Alex Foster, and Margan Pait. Second Row L/R: Carlisha Hall, Sara McEwan, Caleb Stubbs, Aaron Byrd, Marcus Sherman, Cary Mundell.

SHRM: Kristi Carter, Tatiana Reed, Victaria Trujilla, Rasalind Brandon, Tiara Mapps, Xiang Liu, Sara Ramirez, Kassandra Quintra-Segura, David Scatt, Christopher Ragin, Marvin McCoy, Stephanie Sellers, Janathan Miller, Mya Landan, Frank D. James Jr., Deion Perry, and Xavier Covington

NAEA: Allysan Watts, Annabel Russell, Autumn Reneaujacobs, Cierra Chavis, Dareen Lightfoot, Elizabeth Coleman, Estelle Radrigue, Evelyne Wanjiku, Jessica Scatt, Jessica Wyre, Joan Blackwell, Katherine Davenport, Kristina Griffiths, Melvin Marris, Rachel Hockett, Timothy Welsh

Recent Activities

We held free LSAT prep courses this year - Pembroke Pre-Law Society

We learned how to become better scientists. - RISE

We held several fund raisers and community service projects - SHRM

This year we had a series of fund raisers - National Art Education Association



▲ Episcopal Campus Ministry

▲ Voices of Serenity

Episcopal Campus Ministry

ELM is a progressive Christian presence at UNCP. They are committed to tolerance, respect, and inclusion. Rooted in the traditions of the Episcopal and Lutheran Churches, they gather for fellowship and to celebrate the Eucharist and common prayer. They affirm the dignity of all people, commit to a reasonable approach to the Gospels, and accept the open inquiry of the Christian faith. Since both the Lutheran Ministries and Episcopal Ministries are small they often join forces to put on events and various activities around campus.

Voices of Serenity

The Voices of Serenity Gospel Choir is an assembly of students that possess the capacity and talent not only to sing efficiently, but to minister God's word and the gospel of Jesus Christ through song. It is their chief duty and call to bring jubilation through praise and worship, and deliverance through the operation of the gifts of the Holy Spirit if applicable. They, as ministers, are charged with the task to invoke and or invite the presence of God when and wherever they minister. They planned to hold several events this year, including a women's conference, a Christmas party at the Chancellor's house, and a Spring concert.

Baptist Campus Ministries (BCM)

Baptist Campus Ministries is a religious organization on campus. They also have an off-campus house called the Baptist Campus Ministries House. Baptist Campus Ministries provides various opportunities to help students, including Bible study, socials, mission trips, and local outreach projects; they also sponsor Campus Lunches at the Baptist Campus Ministries House to give students a home cooked meal. This year Patrick Harmon served as the President of BCM.

Resident Advisors (RAs)

Resident Advisors work for the office of Housing and Residence Life. They have a diverse range of duties. They do daily rounds, desk duties, and planning programs. RAs put on many different types of events for their respective halls. Sometimes the halls will get together to do a larger event and play against each other in a variety of friendly competitions. Resident Advisors assist the students in the halls in a variety of ways, and they ensure everyone follows the rules of that respective hall or apartment complex. RAs also help the students who live in their area with anything relating to housing.

Photos



Two members of Voices of Serenity (right) advertise their group at an involvement fair.





Baptist Campus Ministries

▲ Resident Advisors (RAs)

Members

Episcopal Campus Ministry: Alisa Shelley, Betty Brown, Charles Jackson, Christopher Heeley, Jasmine Young, Jillian Flom, June Power, Kendall Bauer, Megan Raines, Michael Taylor, Robert Arndt, Shannon Green

Voices of Serenity: Breanna Davis, Brittany Mabley, Carlisa Williams, Cheree McLaurin, Ciara Hall, Cynthia Redfearn, Decladra Carbett, Emani Cunningham, Erika Reich, Gaven Maya, Gwendalyn McMillian, Jamal Quick, Jamar Smith, Jasmine Fard, Kelvin Barnes, Keresa Harrington, Keyante Atkinson, Kia Dikes, La Gwen Bennett, Macie Bethea, Mariah Karnegay, Martrell Littles, Melissa Sneed, Mya Landan, Pierre Cobb, Reneasha Moore, Robert Canida, She Reeka Page, Sherayn Shipman, Tinaisa Abrilz, Valanda Clarida, Victoria Thompson

BCM: Front Row:(from left to right) Heather Wade, Megan Johnson, James Dowse, Kristen Chason, Jenna Stewart, Bethany Gober, Danielle Cline. Back Row: (from left to right) Brandon West, Heath Nunn, Joshua Elliott, Nicholas Rhodes, Patrick Harmon (President!), Madelyn Cheatham

Resident Advisors: Aliyah Reid, Altwan Halland, Amanda Maxsan, Aneisha Jackson, Arissa McNeal, Ashley Phillips, Bayce Friday, Brandon Watkins, Breanna Davis, Brittany Curry, Cassandra Jenkins, Cydney Newman, Dallas Spellman, Danquis Mc Daniel, Demetrius Edwards, Desmond Barnette, Elizabeth Gagne, Ervin Graham, Hansen Barefaat, Hunter Stephenson, Irina Gagnan, Jahvae Giddens, Jamar Smith, James Blevins, Jaquan Stinson, Javan Linney, Jerri Outlaw, Jacelyn Frink, Jordan Smink, Jase McKinney, Joshua Stewart, Javita Vereen, K Menzel, Kahlil Coake, Katelynn McLain, Kenya Williams, Lauren Weeks, Luciana Hammonds, Masan Allen, Melanie Labeau, Micah Simpson, Michael Smith, Nehemiah Jahnsan, Nikita Newkirk, Rabyn Campbell, Sara McEwan

Recent Activities

We put on events and have various activities around campus - Episcopal Campus Ministry

We will be singing at a christmas party at the chancellors house this year - Voices of Serenity

We sponsor Campus Lunches at the Baptist Campus Ministries house - Baptist Campus Ministries

We help students who need help with housing in our area - Resident Advisors



▲ Student Government Assn.



▲ Assn. of Campus Entertainment

Student Government Assn. (SGA)

The Student Government Association (SGA) represents and safeguards the interests of the students. It is basically a political organization providing students with an avenue for action in matters pertaining to student rights and welfare. This year SGA passed several bills and a few resolutions. In addition SGA worked with the Faculty Senate and the Staff Council to establish the principle of shared governance. SGA was led by President Biruk Kassaw (BK) and Vice President Tanner O'Quinn. They both led SGA in its mission to improve and protect the rights of students.

Assn. of Campus Entertainment (ACE)

The Association of Campus Entertainment underwent major organizational changes this year. They completely reorganized their officer positions, substituting a board of trustees for the traditional President, Vice President, etc. ACE receives funding from student fees to put on various events for students to enjoy. Some of the events they put on this year were movie nights, a talent show, a 90s skate night, and a teddy bear making station. ACE does a great job of allowing us all to have something to do on campus.

Graduate Student Organization (GSO)

The Graduate Student Organization's mission is to oversee the issues and concerns that affect the general welfare and academic progress of its members, who are graduate students here at UNCP. GSO in conjunction with the School of Graduate Studies seeks to ensure the quality of graduate student life at UNCP by providing services and social events. It also provides a forum for graduate student concerns. And it provides information on campus services for graduate students.

Residence and Housing Association

RHA offers programming, leadership opportunities, and support for all students living in on-campus housing. The RHA works closely with the Housing and Residence Life staff to address the interests, issues, and concerns of residential students. The goal of the RHA is to enhance and improve life on campus for residential students.

Photos

SGA Senator Dez-
zarayi Powell
(right) staffs SGA's
table at Pembroke Day





Graduate Student Organization ▲ Residence and Housing Assn.

Members

Student Government Assn.: Breanna Davis, Brittany Mabley, Carlisa Williams, Cheree McLaurin, Ciara Hall, Cynthia Redfearn, Decledra Carbett, Emani Cunningham, Erika Reich, Gaven Maya, Gwendalyn McMillian, Jamal Quick, Jamar Smith, Jasmine Fard, Kelvin Barnes, Keresa Harrington, Keyante Atkinson, Kia Dikes, La Gwen Bennett, Macie Bethea, Mariah Karnegay, Martrell Littles, Melissa Snead, Mya Landan, Pierre Cabb, Reneasha Maare, Robert Canida, She Reeka Page, Sherayn Shipman, Tinaisa Abrilz, Valanda Clarida, Victoria Thompson

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Graduate Student Organization: Bessie Gilreath, Carole Graham, Demetrius Edwards, Justin Craig, Leah Williams, Sheena Ibasco

Residence and Housing Association: First Row (left to right): Mary Grace Curiale, Britany Worley, Brandi Guffey, Linda Council, Cassidy Miles, Madison Wilcox, Kristine Gooch, Lauren Wise Second Row (left to right): Ian Fennell, Christian Ryckley, Berri Locklear, Christopher Chapman, Jacob Brown Not pictured: Brandon Blackwell, Stephanie Brown, Lindsey Ebaugh

Recent Activities

We passed bills and resolutions to improve the school. -SGA

We put on many different events so students would have fun things to do. -ACE

We watched over the graduate school. - GSO

We improved life for on-campus students. - RHA



▲ Brother to Brother

Brother to Brother

Brother to Brother is a new organization on campus. They seek to assist their participants to excel academically, socially, culturally, professionally, and in the community. Primarily comprised of male students who strive for academic excellence and make a commitment to plan and implement programs that benefit their community at large, they encourage their participants to embrace leadership by being positive examples for each other through a strong commitment to academic achievement, brotherhood, and community service.

Health Careers Club

The primary purpose of the Health Careers Club is to promote awareness and interest in all areas of the health professions and to promote campus and community service projects. Students from any major area of study are encouraged to join so they can explore various health professions and interact with health professionals. The Health Careers Club regular meetings have a guest speaker. Outside of meetings, the Health Careers Club hosts a variety of fund-raising and community events and participates in service and job-shadowing opportunities.

NCNW

The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW) is a council of national African American women's organizations and community-based sections. Founded in 1935, the NCNW's mission is to lead, develop, and advocate for women of African descent as they support their families and communities. NCNW fulfills this purpose through research, advocacy, and national and community-based services and programs on issues of health, education, and economic empowerment in the United States and Africa.

Accounting Students Association

The purpose of ASA is to provide an opportunity for Accounting Club members to expand their academic, professional, and social development through peer interaction, professional engagements, and community service. Their goal is to build unity within the club by fostering lifelong friendships and networks, extending beyond the collegiate career, and aspiring to continuous growth and improvement so that members can contribute effectively and ethically to society and their professional environment. This is achieved by hosting monthly dinners with Accounting professors, guest speaker meetings, and service events.



▲ Health Careers Club

Photos

A member of Brother to Brother at the involvement fair.





NCNW



▲ Accounting Students Ass.

Members

Brother to Brother: Executive members Milton Gore, Adam Franco, Cameron Wallace, Brandon Watkins, Javan Linney (Jp), Jamal Quick, Terrance Brown, Nehemiah Johnson, Javier Carranza, and Roderick Williams.

Health Careers Club: Natolya Locklear-Advisor, Jessica Oxendine-President, Ostor Hendersan-Vice President, Elizabeth Lacklear-caVice President (not in picture), Thristan Clark-Secretary, Tiffany Smart-Treasurer, Hallie Hicks, Alex Martinez, Tonya Gavea, Jessie Janes, Damien Waters, Marcus Sherman, Christian Ryckley, Vinolyn Antania, Riley Baucam, Poige Locklear, Brittony Threatt, Autumn Ballard, Georgiana Kailanda, India Smith, Sonvio Brown, Rodriguez Bradley, Mya London, Kirby Johnson, Elizabeth Lacklear

NCNW: Adijah Battle, Aelisho Horris, Ashely Hower, Brionno McLean, Bryona Ferguson, Candice Seay, Cecilia Nwosu, Dorea Banneau, Frankie Powell, Gamal Marlawe, Gentle Davis, Gwendolyn Coker, Holbreando McNeill, Jacelyn Frink, Joy Gallaway, Juniso Chopman, Komishio McAllister, Karena Atkinson, Keandra Mitchell, Kimberly Scales, Knisho Fearrington, Kyono McLean, LaTosha Ruffin, LaVianca Ledbetter, Macie Betheo, Noshayla Adams, Natavio Marris, Sekaiya Kelly, Talanda Caaper, Tybreisha Terry, Tyler Bornes, VernoWest-Fede

Accounting Students Association: Carson Cone, Christina Palmer, Julianne Fisher, Julie Sem, Lashaude James, Maria Clark, Michelle De Obeso Hernandez, Rebecca Metro-Tuttle, Samuel Miles, Timothy Sigmon

Recent Activities

We helped our fellow male students by being exemplars for how men should act.
- B2B

We host various fundraising and community events. - Health Careers Club

We held a Grown and Classy Cocktail Party. - NCNW

We held monthly dinners with special guests to improve our knowledge as future accountants. - ASA

Member of the
National Council
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money at Pem-
day.



▲ Delta Sigma Theta ($\Delta\Sigma\Theta$)

Delta Sigma Theta

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, is a private, not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. The sorority was founded in 1913 on the campus of Howard University. The major programs of the sorority are based upon the organization's Five Point Programmatic Thrust. This year the sorority held several work sessions, study sessions, service projects, and informational campaigns.

Lambda Theta Phi

Lambda Theta Phi is a male Latin fraternity. Their mission is to build men of character, to be proud of one's heritage, and to conquer and overcome any obstacles to become the best they can be. Two major events they planned on participating in this year were Noche de Salsa and the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Developing Leaders Quarter Drive. They have for the second year in a row (2013 & 2014) been awarded National Association of Latino Fraternal Organizations (NALFO) Fraternity of the Year.

Lambda Theta Alpha

The purpose of Lambda Theta Alpha is to provide a sisterhood based on unity, love, and respect and to develop strong leaders who will then provide and practice political, social, and cultural activities; promote unity through charitable and educational programs; and maintain a higher standard of learning and serve as a voice for all students. April 25th, 2015, will mark the 10th year the sorority has been on campus. They won an award for having the highest GPA in the Multicultural Council at the Greek Award banquet, and they also had the highest GPA for North Carolina from their nationals.



▲ Lambda Theta Phi ($\Lambda\Theta\Phi$)

Photos

A Delta Sigma Theta sister gets ready to tell people about her sorority at Pembroke Day.





Lambda Theta Alpha ($\Lambda\Theta\text{A}$)

Members

Delta Sigma Theta: Janae Curtain- President, Barbara Graham- Vice President, Chantea' Swinson-Rhoe- Secretary, Chante Russell- Financial Secretary

Lambda Theta Phi: President: Javier Carranza, Secretary: D'Angelio Scott, Treasurer: Ricardo Carrasquillo, Social Chair & Induction officer: Robert Quintero

Lambda Theta Alpha: From Left to Right Christy Aguilar, Glory Carrasquillo, Anastacia Alvarez, Sonyaliz Goveo, Tanya Goveo, Angelica Vasquez, Emily Laws.

Recent Activities

We held several work sessions and informational campaigns. - Delta Sigma Theta

This year we participated in the *Noche de Salsa* event. - Lambda Theta Phi

We celebrated our 10 year anniversery on April 25th, 2015. - Lambda Theta Alpha



▲ GSA

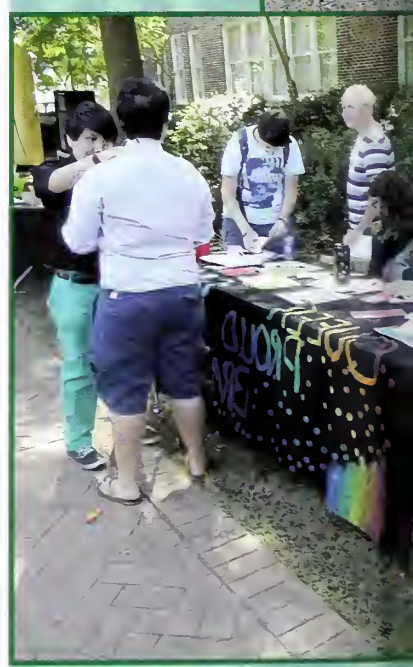
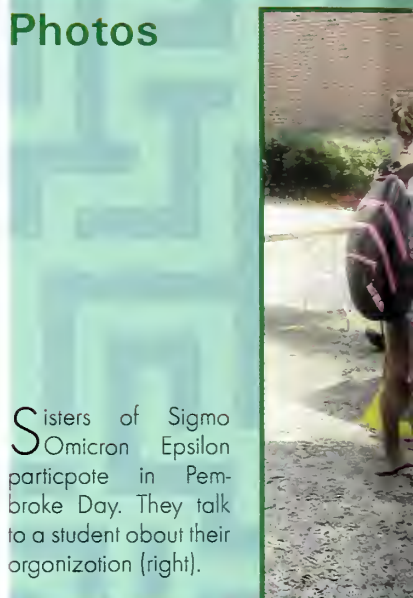
▲ Sigma Omicron Epsilon (ΣOE)

Get Involved!

There is only so much space in the yearbook, and we do not have the space for all the wonderful groups that are on campus. The yearbook operated on a first come, first served basis this year, and the spots went quickly. We kept these two pages to show some of the groups that we were unable to cover. As we all know (and will remember in the future) there was not exactly a lot to do around Pembroke. The nearest decent movie theater was in Hope Mills (around 40 minutes away) and the night life was lacking. Entertainment was not readily available right off campus. We were excited for weeks and it was the buzz of the campus when we got a Bojangles. Taking all that into consideration, getting involved on campus becomes almost a necessity, because you can only play video games, watch TV, or study for so long. There was a plethora of Greek groups for us to get involved in and a legion of non-Greek groups. Through these groups we would meet new friends and become more well versed in the diversity of the school. We would put on events both public and internal. The constant struggle with advertising for events was something that we all dreaded dealing with. That would of course lead us to staffing the "tables" in the UC. We would advertise events, sell tickets, fundraise, and more from the tables. Officers would "love" the task of getting people to sign up for this special duty. But through it all we would bond under these shared experiences and get closer as a group. Organizations had the potential to become your home away from home, the members like your family. You have some members of this family that you like, and some you really, really don't like—just like your real family. Or for some of us this was our first family as we came from difficult pasts. Your life had the potential to revolve around classes and whatever organization you are a part of. We will always have our fond memories of the organizations we were a part of.

Photos

Sisters of Sigma Omicron Epsilon participate in Pembroke Day. They talk to a student about their organization (right).





Campus Ass. of Social Workers ▲ Biology Club



Members of the
Gay Students
Association pin support
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Groups Not Pictured

Alpha Chi Honor Society, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Pi Omega, American Indian Science & Engineering Society, Berea Campus Outreach, Biology Club, Brave Swimmers, Brave Wrestling Club, Chemistry Club, Chinese Club, Coed Cheer Club, College Democrats of North Carolina, Colleges Against Cancer (Relay for Life), Criminal Justice Club, CRU, Delta Sigma Omicron, Economics Club, Gamma Sigma Epsilon, Gay Students and Allies, Geeks and Gamers Guild, Genshiken, Geo Club, Hip-Hop Dance Team, I am Boss, International Business Students Club, Lambda Sigma, Literacy Commons, Love and Joy Campus Life Ministry, Mentors Advancing for Distinction and Empowerment, Mixed Martial Arts Club, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Nations Movement, Native American Student Organization, Pembroke Paintball Club, Phi Kappa Tau, Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity of America, Inc., Phi Sigma Nu, Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Club, Public Relations Student Society of America, Resurrection Campus Ministry, Running Club, Secular Student Alliance, Sigma Omicron Epsilon, Sigma Tau Delta, Soccer Club, Students Walking in Faith Together, Swamp Dog Press, Tau Sigma National Honor Society, The Clogging Club, Theta Xi, Ultimate Frisbee Club, University of North Carolina at Pembroke ACM Student Chapter, Water Polo, Women's Basketball Club

Recent Activities

We put on Chubicon. - Genshiken

Relay for Life was a huge success. - Colleges against Cancer

We put on a golf tournament to raise money. - Public Relations Student Society of America.

Game Day got a huge turnout. - Geeks and Gamers Guild



▲ The Aurochs

The Aurochs

The Aurochs is a student run literary magazine that publishes poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, and art by UNCP students. This year the Auroch's Editor-in-Chief was Leona Howell again. Her staff included Chelsey Parsons as the Art Editor and Quincee Tompkins as the Assistant Editor. They were advised by Dr. Karen Helgeson. This year the Aurochs received a best in show award in addition to two individual awards from the North Carolina College Media Association.

Indianhead

The Indianhead Yearbook provides a record, in words and pictures, of all aspects of student life at the university each year. Robert Hamilton became Editor-in-Chief last year and continued his service this academic year, and he was again advised by Sara Oswald. He was assisted by two Assistant Editors, Beth Storey for Photography and Christina Dawkins for Production. The Indianhead Yearbook won four individual awards from the North Carolina College Media Association for copy in the Student Life and Sports sections.

The Pine Needle

The Pine Needle is the university's student-produced biweekly newspaper and is a top resource for current news and editorials. The Editor-in-Chief of The Pine Needle this year was Jonathan Bym assisted by his Managing Editor Sara Owen. The Pine Needle was advised in the fall by Drs. Judy and Tony Curtis; however, in the spring they were advised by Dr. James Bass due to the passing of Dr. Tony Curtis. This year The Pine Needle won several awards including being named the best in show by the North Carolina College Media Association. The Pine Needle also received five individual awards.

WNCP-TV

WNCP-TV is the university's student-run television station. WNCP-TV is a program service of the Department of Mass Communication and a learning laboratory for the televisual arts. Television programs are produced by UNCP students and faculty in classes or as part of departmentally approved extracurricular productions. These talk shows, newscasts, sports, special event coverage, and other videos could be seen on channel 6 on Time Warner Cable in Robeson County.

▲ Indianhead

Photos

Ryder Jones (right), who come all the way from Woles in the UK to work on the Indianhead stoff, stands outside the yeorbook office in Wellons Holi; Yeorbook Photogrophy Consultont Joel Beochum takes pictures of Pembroke Day (for right).





The Pine Needle

▲ WNCP-TV

Members

The Aurochs: Back Row: Harvey Moynor, Dr. Koren Helgeson (Faculty Advisor), Donovan-Gunner Wilson, Honniah Anderson, Alexis Alexander. Center: Brittoni Allen. Front Row: Andriy (Andrew) Alekseev, Austin D'Angelo, Leono Howell (Editor-in-Chief) Not Pictured: Christen Holker, Amondo Hiser, Jock Pevyhouse, Quincee Tompkins (Assistant Editor), Heather Word, Courtnee Bishop, Rory Ford, Chelsey Parsons (Art Editor)

Indianhead: Robert Hamilton, Christino Dowkins, Beth Storey, Courtney Adams, Jonoe Aiken, Lauren Blue, Christen Funderburk, Rebekah Hinson, Ryder Jones, Brondy McLeon, Serenity McLeon, Morkey McNeill, Dejo Roiney, Desiree Ware, Nicole Poyne, Deondrio Love, Morio Clark, Alexis Dowson, Jenny Chompholpukdy, Jermol McAlister, Christian Hoppel, Kameron Bradley, Soro Oswald, Kyeesho Mossey, Imoni Mott, Timiyo Murphy, Autumn Scott.

The Pine Needle: Johnathon Bym, Soro Owen, Koylo Gorner, Stefanie Smith, Jonoe Curtin, Tomoko Sinclair, Cody Parker, Elizabeth Goge, Amondo Hiser, Josmin Jenkins, Monica Espitia, Johnnie Hunt, Colby Jones, Catherine George, Anostocio Alvorez, Gino Clymore, Megon Hillord, Micah Stimpson, Morio Alonzo, Alexis Benson, Brandon Blokney, Brandon Blokney, Cecilio Brandon, Morie Goumont, John Hernly, Jordan Kornegoy, Shelley Moron, Emil Prezeou, Brandon Tester, Justin Thomas, Hoiley Usher, Doshoun Vereen, Zhuxuon Yan

WNCP-TV: Front row, L to R: Malik Worrels, Briana Goins, Christina Dawkins, Krystal Dean, Cortney Locklear, Kera Atkins, Michael Isbell 2nd Row, L to R: Dr. Jamie Litty, Mason Allen, Dolphus Pearson, William Pettis Back Row: Sydney Powell, Jeffrey Weeks, Luke Nelson

Recent Activities

We produced the literary magazine. - *The Aurochs*

We created the yearbook. - *Indianhead Yearbook*

We investigated stories and put them in the newspaper. - *The Pine Needle*

We created *Carolina News Today* about things happening around campus. - **WNCP TV**

One thing that makes UNCP a unique institution is the interactions between students and faculty. We know our professors, and they know our names, which is not something every college student can claim. Inside our classrooms the diversity of our student body shines through during class discussions. Students are united by late-night study sessions and group projects, common experiences that will be remembered along with the lessons learned.



Academic experiences are not restricted to classrooms. Christian Happel works on a model of the death star from Star Wars in an art studio; a student in a science lab conducts an experiment; and students direct the action and operate the equipment in the WNCPTV studio.

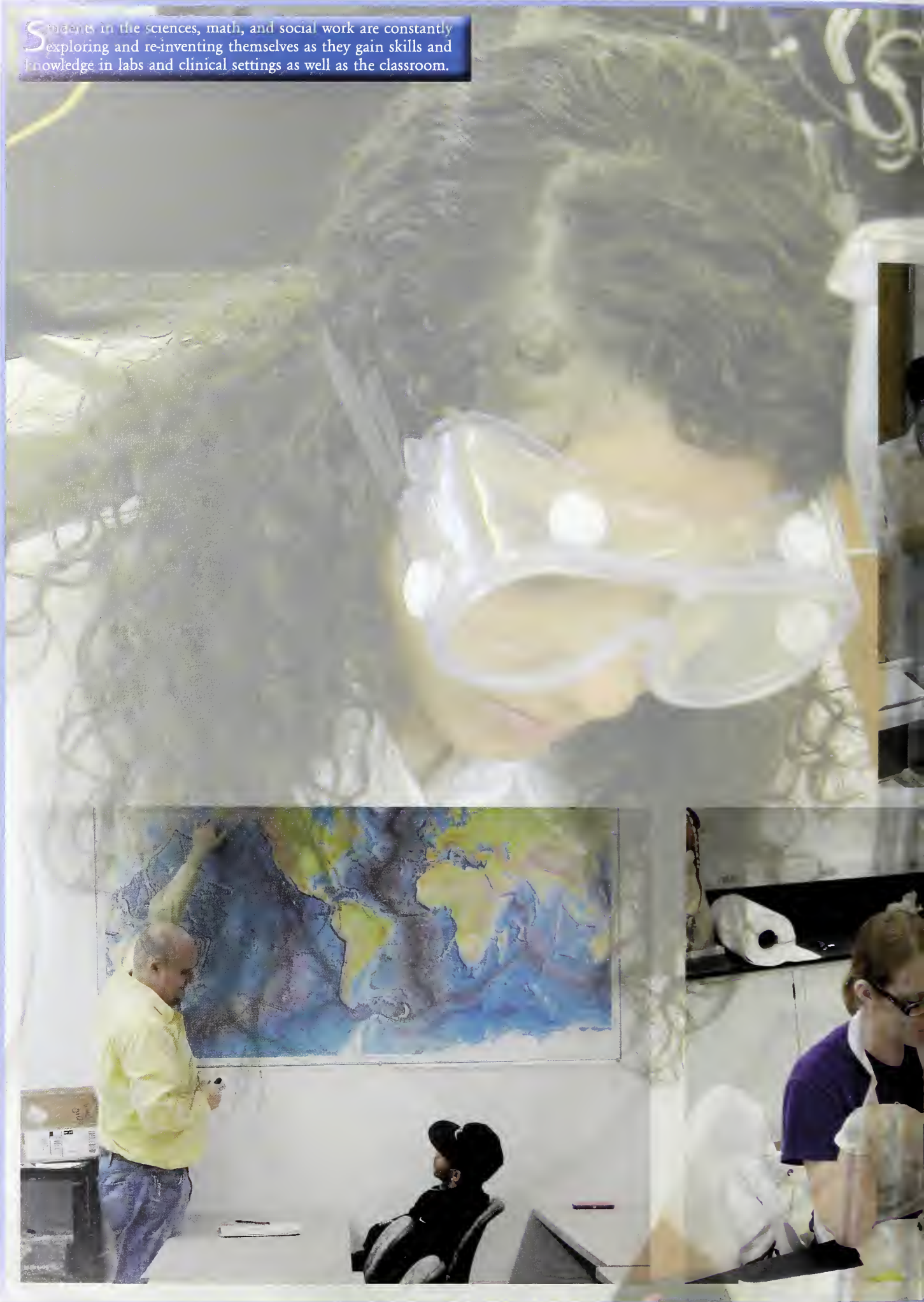




Academics



Students in the sciences, math, and social work are constantly exploring and re-inventing themselves as they gain skills and knowledge in labs and clinical settings as well as the classroom.



Inventive

According to both Professor Mary Zets and Dr. Debby Hanmer, the Biology Department is the “most awesome” department on campus, offering students a diverse range of programs and opportunities. A few students even get to work with Dr. Ben Bahr on Alzheimer’s research. This year, the department expanded its offerings by adding a new minor in agriculture. The department also sponsors several student clubs, including the Biology Club, Science Teacher Education Club, and the Tri-Beta biology honor society.

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science stayed active in the community with student internships in local businesses and the big math competition they put on every year for high school students in and around the area. Dr. Leonard Wilkins joined the department this year as a new Assistant Professor. Ethan Hall, when asked why he chose Math and Computer Science as his major, stated, “I’ve always enjoyed computers and always wanted to know what makes them tick, so I was like, ‘Hey there’s a field dedicated to this!’ It is an ever-growing field that won’t grow stagnant; everything depends on computers and technology.”

This year the Department of Chemistry and Physics launched a new program called Analytical Chemistry. They were also hard at work to expand the Physics program in collaboration with various community college and with foreign countries such as China and to create a new 3 plus 2 Program with NC State University to increase the number of Pre-Engineering students. Students would be Physics majors here for 3 years; they would then go to NC State to study Electrical Engineering for 2 years and get a degree there.

The focus of the Department of Political Science and Public Administration is getting students involved in the political process. One way they sought to do this was through clubs, such as the refounding of the Political Science Club and the formation of a Model United Nations Club by students in the Model UN class; those students won an outstanding delegation award at a regional competition this year. The department also held Political Science movie nights and a live reading of the US Constitution.

The Department of Social Work prepares students for their profession with a focus on the empowerment of populations-at-risk and the advancement of economic, political, and social justice in all communities. The department received a major grant this year to fund 20 integrated behavioral health internship positions for 3 years, an opportunity for up to 60 students total.



Reflective

Interesting things were happening this year in the Philosophy and Religion Department. They gained a new faculty member, Deborah Zeller, an adjunct who taught Introduction to Philosophy and Logic. The department was planning to introduce a new course, New Religions, in the Fall 2015 semester, which will be sure to spark some interest among their majors. Philosophy and Religion major Jacob Cool said that his interest in the major stems from its “depth” and how it “forces one to analyze their own psyche in juxtaposition to others.”

Dr. Wendy Pearce Miller took on the role of chair of the Department of English, Theatre, and Foreign Languages after the untimely passing of Dr. Kay McClanahan in June 2014. The department welcomed several new faculty members this year: Autumn Lauzon, Abigail Mann, Lindsey Norcross, and Amy Williams in English and Emily Tobey in Spanish. The foreign language program created a Spanish Writing Center where students from any Spanish course were able to receive help with their writing assignments; they also continued their International Film Series that had students talking.

This year saw new and exciting things happening in the History Department at UNCP: movie nights, professors publishing books, and professors adding new classes. The department has been holding history movie nights where they show films with an historical theme and hold discussions afterward. And they looked forward to the fall 2016 publication of Dr. Ryan Anderson’s entitled *Frank Merriwell and the Fiction of All-American Boyhood*.

The Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice has continued to expand its service learning programs and increase the number of classes that have supplemental instruction. Dr. Stephen Marson and Dr. Rasby Powell published a peer reviewed article this year. Students in the department went on a trip to the State Bureau of Investigation lab, and some students went to the North Carolina Criminal Justice Association Conference as well.

The Department of Psychology’s approach to the discipline is aimed at understanding basic patterns of thought, emotion, and behavior. The department gained two new faculty members in Dr. Rachel Morrison and Dr. Ashley Allen. The department was active in the intellectual community through research and scholarship. Students participated in PURC research and also helped the faculty conduct research on various topics.



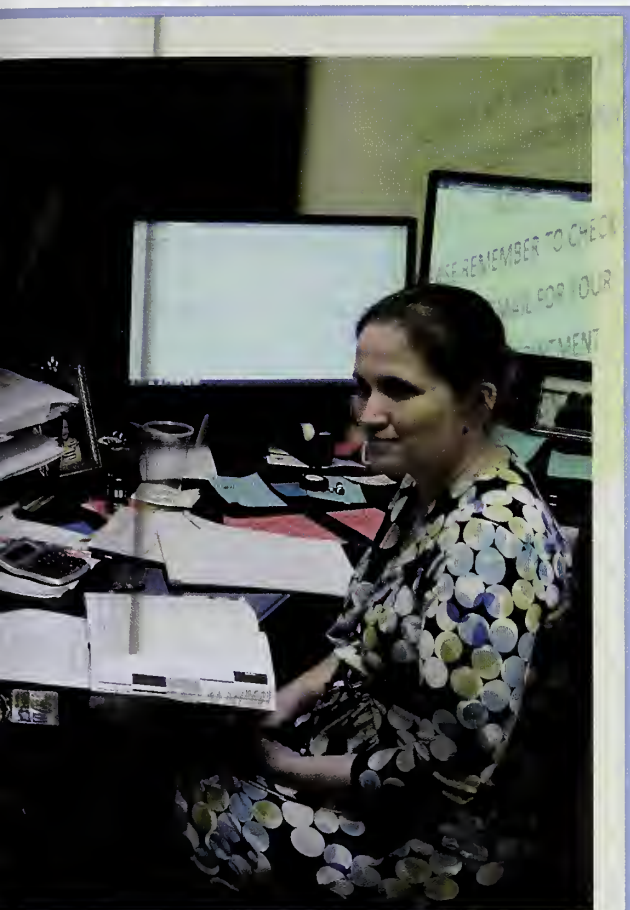
Students in the humanities and social sciences reflect on their own lives through their encounters with texts, historical research, and survey data.



Students at UNCP can access a wide variety of support services to assist them in all phases of their academic endeavors.



Accessible



The College Opportunity Program is a learning community to assist freshman in their transition from the high school to college experience. A selected group of students share the same English and freshmen seminar courses and are advised on both progress and class registration. COP students also participate in learning experiences that promote character development and team building skills. Raising the BAR (Braves Academic Readiness) is a summer bridge program that is also housed in the College Opportunity Program. This program provides extra academic support to selected freshman students.

The University Writing Center helps UNCP students with writing by providing students with computers to use in the writing center to draft and revise their writing, and also with tutors to work with students one-on-one with all types of writing assignments. The Writing Center held two workshops this year: the first focused on MLA style, and the second focused on APA style. UNCP Writing Center tutor Kyeesha Massey said that she enjoys working at the Writing Center because “it allows me to help others with the one thing that I love, and that is writing. . . . Sometimes I even learn something new about myself and my abilities through working with others.”

International Programs at UNCP offers opportunities for students to expand their knowledge of the world and make useful contacts by both sending students abroad and welcoming foreign students into our community. Studying abroad helps individuals to develop their problem solving, understanding, and people skills. The IP office recruits and supports a variety of students from all over the world. UNCP is constantly working hard to create and sustain a number of high-profile connections with top educational institutions around the globe.

The Supplemental Instruction (SI) Program helps students in traditionally difficult academic subjects by having a model student who has already taken and passed the class help the students currently in that class. They do this by leading study sessions, helping with note taking, and much more. SI Christian Ryckley said his “favorite part of being an Supplemental Instructor is being able to have that personal connection with the student throughout the learning process, to converse with each other, not just as SI to student, but friend to friend.” He also liked being “able to guide these students from a thick, dense cloud of confusion into the clarity of understanding.”

Artistic

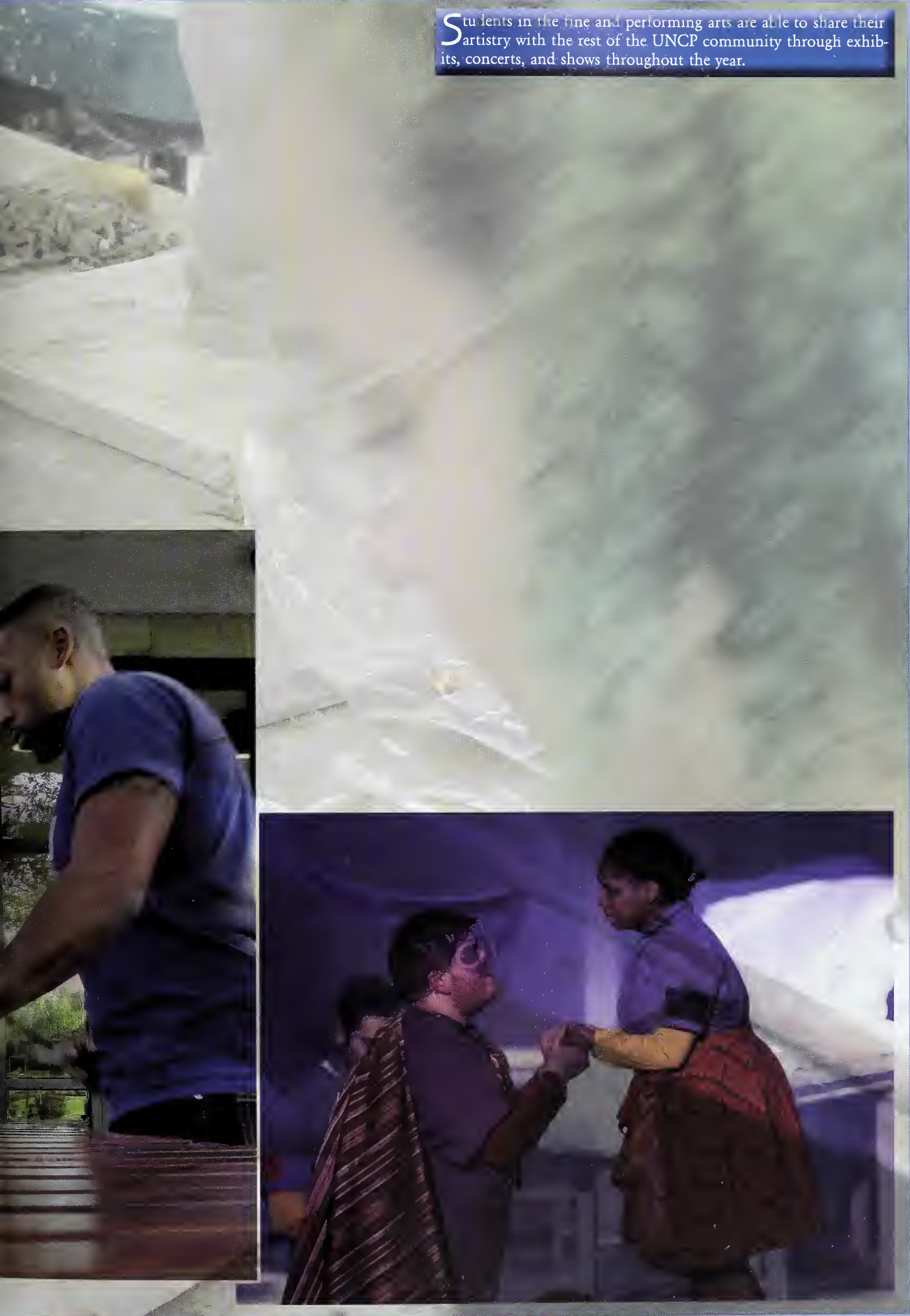
This year the Art Department continued to display work around campus and host exhibitions in the A.D. Gallery. Senior Art major Lauren Ellerbe said she thought that the Art program is “fantastic.” She has been a part of the program all 4 years. When Lauren was asked which teacher in her department stood out to her she said Brandon Sanderson. Ellerbe said that all teachers in the Art program are great, but Sanderson took the time to see the potential in Lauren and really encouraged her and taught her how to develop and be patient as an artist. Lauren completed several service projects for the Art Department such as an E-card, which was a holiday card sent to all UNCP faculty and staff. Lauren said she loves the atmosphere in the classrooms. There are about 10 students in each class, and it becomes more of a family because you get close to the professors and have as much 1-on-1 time that each student needs or want.

The Department of Music at UNCP this year has continued to offer an outstanding level of teaching, maintaining its position as a member of the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) and employing over twenty-five faculty members to ensure students gain the best possible level of teaching. The department prides itself on offering over 150 types of music majors, minors, and concentrations. In order to create a familial atmosphere, they continue to strive to keep class sizes small, creating strong working relationships with their students. Aiming not only to assist students who show an interest or skill in music, but also to enrich the students’ cultural and historical knowledge. Every year the music department showcases our students’ talents in various productions, and this year has been no exception. Events included jazz ensemble concerts, choir concerts, and musical theatre. The UNCP Chorale also traveled to Fayetteville State to sing with the Fayetteville Symphony Orchestra in the Cape Fear Regional Theatre’s production of *Amadeus*.

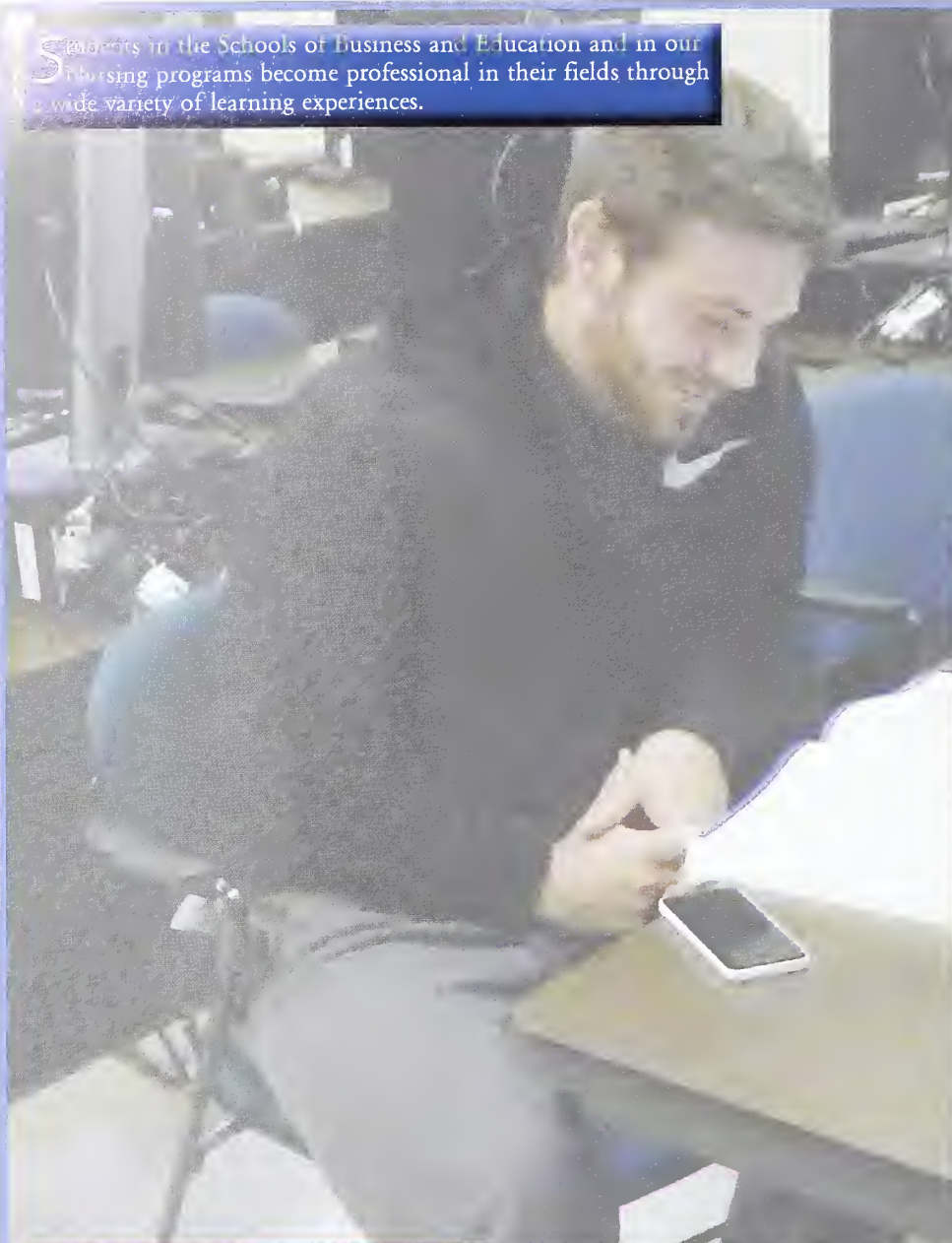
The Theater program, which gives its majors experience on stage and behind the scenes, welcomed Jonathan Drahos as its new director this year, and audiences were entertained by his production of Gogol’s *The Government Inspector* in March; many students turned out to see the show even though the final two performances happened during Spring Break. The other two University Theater productions this year were *Middletown* in October 2014 and *Into the Woods* in April 2015.



Students in the fine and performing arts are able to share their artistry with the rest of the UNCP community through exhibits, concerts, and shows throughout the year.



Students in the Schools of Business and Education and in our Nursing programs become professional in their fields through a wide variety of learning experiences.



Professional

The School of Business houses many programs, organizations, and other field-related opportunities to prepare students for career environments. The Passport to Professional Success program is designed to assist Business students in learning how to professionally interact with colleagues, employers, and other professionals in their field. These programs along with many others including study abroad and exchange options, encourage the engagement of students in their academics.

According to Education major Kaitlyn Dublin, the School of Education is a “great and supportive environment. My instructors really strive to help me succeed and understand the career I am going into.” She added that “Dr. Carol Higy is a real inspiration. She has lots of experience. The teaching profession is a very difficult career, and she still has the courage to have a sense of humor.”

The Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation offered a diversity of options, and freshman Corey Singleton chose Athletic Training because, he said, “I find it interesting. I messed up my knees and had to go through physical therapy. I tore my ACL in both knees—my left knee during my sophomore year and my right knee in my junior year of high school. For each knee I went through a seven- to eight-month recovery process. I knew that if I chose Athletic Training as a major I could stay around sports”.

The Department of Nursing prepares graduates at the BSN and MSN levels. The Department of Nursing welcomed the following new faculty in 2014: Dr. Katharine Kemplin, Mr. John Toth, Mrs. Debbie Locklear, and Mrs. Misty Stone. They also had new staff members join the department, including Mr. James Crouch, Student Success Advocate for the RIBN project, and Mr. Michael Lowery, RN-BSN Student Success Advocate. Faculty conducted research in the areas of diabetes and predictors of student success in nursing school. Master’s students were able to select options in nursing education, rural case management, or clinical nurse leader for their specialization. The Department planned to graduate its first class of MSN students in the spring 2015. The RN-BSN program was recently ranked as the 5th best value for nursing among colleges and universities in the South. And the department received adonation from Robert and Ann Zucker of Raleigh, NC, that allowed them to purchase a state-of-the-art wireless Laerdal SimMan3G worth \$95,000.

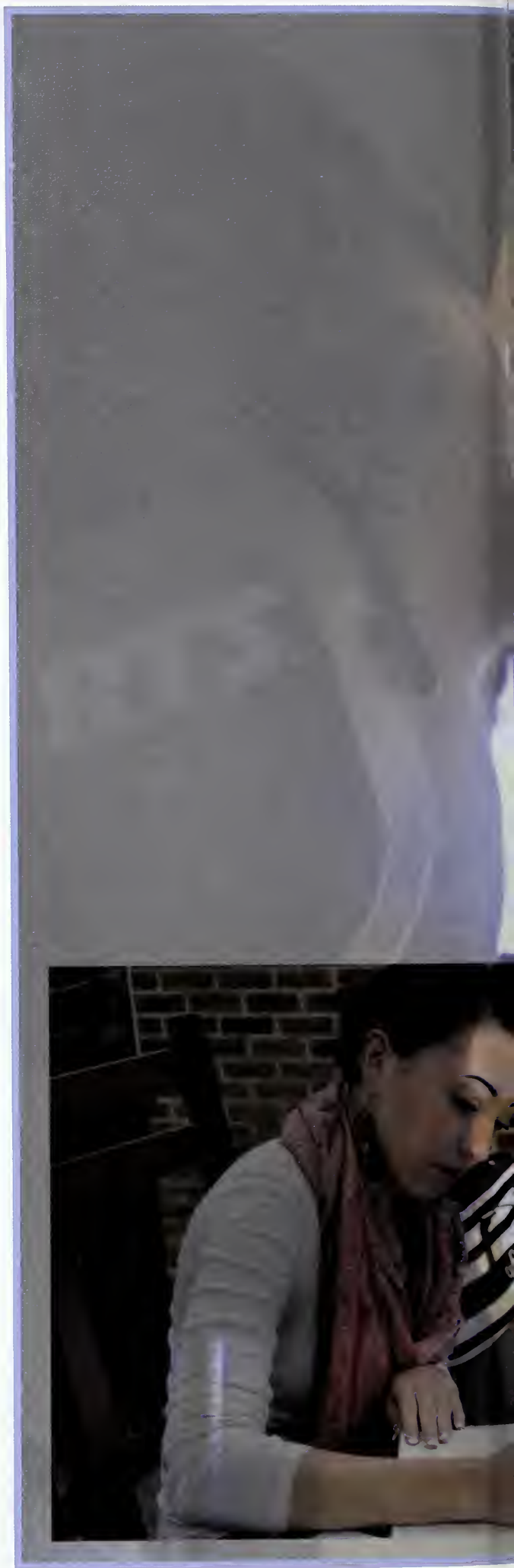


Visionary

The American Indian Studies Department offers a Bachelor of Arts, a minor, and an academic concentration in American Indian Studies. In October, Glenn Roberts of Anson Mills spoke to the University as part of the Native American Speaker Series. On November 13, the University hosted its sixth annual event Honoring Native Foodways, which has four central goals: to celebrate Native American Heritage Month in November; to help UNCP students, faculty, and staff honor, understand, and sample foods that are indigenous to the Americas; to emphasize healthy foods that have been part of traditional indigenous diets for centuries, and which can still be easily prepared today; and to cultivate campus and community collegiality through that experience we all enjoy: eating!

The Department of Mass Communication prepares students to become professionals in the fields of broadcasting, journalism, and public relations. Students engage in rigorous professional preparation and a strong liberal arts education so that they will be ready for careers in mass media and media-related fields. Mass Communication majors have opportunities for hands-on experience through work with *The Pine Needle* (our student newspaper), WNCP-TV (the department's PEG TV channel), and student organizations such as the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA) and the National Broadcasting Society. The Mass Communications Department mourned the passing of their colleague, Dr. Anthony "Tony" Curtis, this year when he passed away in January 2015 following a sudden and brief illness. One Mass Communication major spoke for many when she said, "I wouldn't have been able to make it without Dr. Tony's advice and support."

The Mary Livermore Library provides convenient access to informational resources needed by all members of the university community. The faculty and staff of the library support the teaching and research goals of the university. This year, the Library underwent a major upgrade of their library system that, while not directly affecting students, made the library more efficient. The library was the host of several events such as the African American Read-In, two Faculty Showcases where students and colleagues could listen to faculty members discuss their recently-published book, and others. Members of the library staff were also actively involved in research and publication.



Students in American Indian Studies fulfill the vision of our University's founders, and those in Mass Communication learn to envision the world in a variety of media.



UCP is consistently ranked as the number one school in the South for diversity. Everyone is coming together with one purpose: Showing that people with different backgrounds can work together to create, and continue to maintain, something that is truly beautiful. We stand together as the ones who are making the changes that matter, the ones coming up with the new and innovative ideas. We are not just witnessing change; we are creating that change.

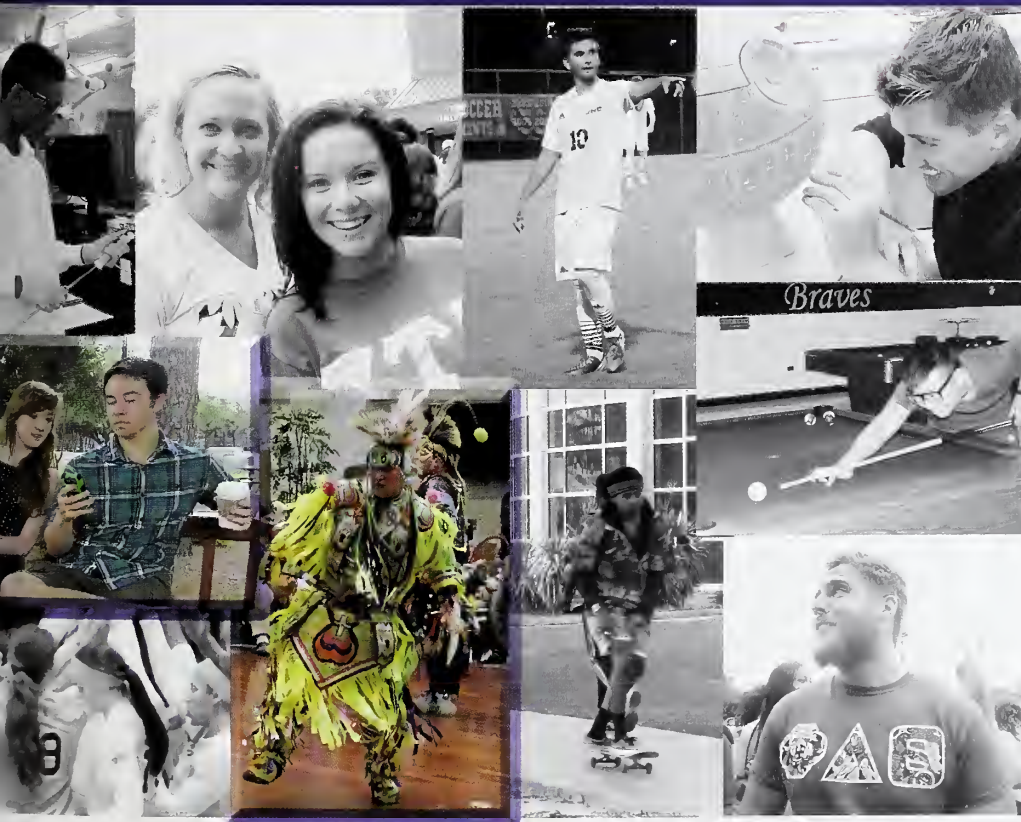


A dancer participates in the annual fall Pow-wow sponsored by the Native American Student Organization; Elizabeth Gooden gets ready to go on the air on WNCN-TV; students spend time with each other—and with the ever-present cell phone—in the gazebo just off the Quad.





People



Graduate students march into the Givens Performing Arts Center to receive their master's degrees at the May 2014 Graduate Commencement.

Seniors.....124

Graduate Students.....158





Graduates



***S**eniors cross the bridge on their way to the quad for the May 2014 Undergraduate Commencement, reversing the direction they had taken at the start of their academic careers.*

Students and staff from Residence Life show their school spirit as they ride in the Homecoming parade.



Danquis McNaniel proudly wears the sash signifying his service as a Resident Advisor as he waits in the Auxiliary Gym with other December 2014 graduates before the start of the commencement exercises.



Andrew Alexander Aguilar
Computer Science
Sanford

Alexis Yvette Alexander
Mass Communication
Roanoke Rapids

Tisha Laneé Alexander
Health Promotion
Staley

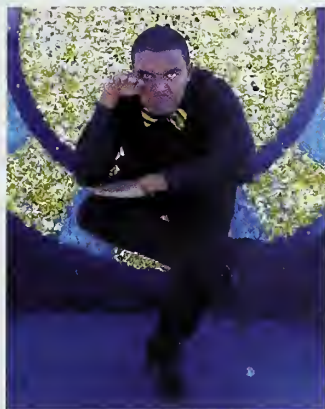


Donta Allen
Exercise Physiology
Greensboro

Mason Ian Allen
Public Relations
Hampstead

Karla Michelle Amaro-Rogue
Spanish
Fayetteville





“Tomorrow will always be better than the day before.”

Biruk Kassaw, known by everyone as BK, is originally from Ethiopia, where he lived for the first seven years of his life. His family moved to Washington, DC, and he lived there until he started at UNCP. He was raised by a very unique family; BK has two older sisters and a younger brother. “My family is very independent, and when we come together it is like we were never apart,” BK stated. BK is a first-generation male college student in his family and will be the first to get his bachelor’s

degree. When asked how his family felt about him attending college, his response was, “They are placing their bets on me.” At UNCP, BK lived in an off-campus apartment, and although he did not like some of the roommates that he has had, he loved having his own place and getting to make his own decisions. BK had a double major in Business Management and Finance, with double minors in International Business and Political Science. On top of his school load, he was also student body president and a marketing intern for Sodexo. BK was also a part of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated, the Student Advisory Board, School Appeals Board, Board of Trustees, and the list goes on and on. After graduation in a year, he plans on moving to Germany where he will join the Air Force and proceed to get his master’s degree in business management. The advice he would give would be, “If you can’t wake up and go to your job without getting paid, don’t do it!!” Asked how he felt about finally being a senior, he said, “I am aware of EVERYTHING, and tomorrow will always be better than the day before. Life is a game. The minute you become aware of it, you’ll be winning.” Before finishing our interview I asked him what he would say to incoming freshmen and his response was, “Mistakes are going to happen, problems are going to arise, but just as problems occur and mistakes are made, solutions are found.”



Jacob Michael Archambault
Elementary Education
Statesville



Shirley Ijeoma Ariwodo
Biology
Tampa, FL



Lester Levi Arnold, Jr.
Public Relations
Concord



Mikel Kyle Arrindell
Sociology
Brooklyn, NY



Erica Nicole Arrington
Recreation Management
Rocky Mount



Shatoya Ronique Atkins
Social Work
Creedmore

Keyante Michelle Atkinson

Psychology
Goldsboro



Jasmine T'keyah Banks

Social Work
Laurinburg



Lisa Renee Belk-Williams

Social Work
Fayetteville



Jonathan Bell

Environmental Biology
Lumberton



Lauren Kelly Blue

English Education
Aberdeen



Sheila Wright Boyer

Business Administration
Red Springs



With grace and smiles, Alpha Kappa Alpha member Andrea Evans displays her excitement after receiving her diploma.

Football is a major part of each year's Homecoming celebration. Athletes like DeVonte Baker march in the parade and participate in other activities as well as playing in the big game.





Kameron Bradley

Environmental Science

Fayetteville



Erica Hope Branch

Public Relations

Bladenboro



Dontae C. Brown

Sports Management

Chicago, IL



Margaret Marlo Brown

Psychology

Forest City



Zeneta Selimah Browne

Political Science

Fayetteville



Domonique Yvette Bullard

Psychology

Pembroke



“Be active. Broaden your horizons.”

Paige Locklear was a senior from Pembroke, where she has lived her whole life. A very family-oriented person, she has two older sisters and a daughter of her own. She was a commuter student and liked being at home with her family and being able to help out her parents. Paige has a strong Christian belief yet enjoys meeting others from various religious backgrounds because it expands her knowledge and allows

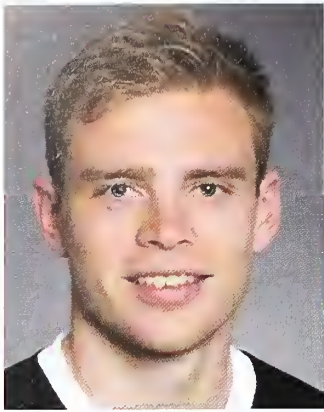
her the opportunity to understand others.

A biology major, Paige planned on applying to the Accelerated Nursing Program at UNC Chapel Hill to continue her studies after graduation. She also balanced her studies with a job at Burger King in Lumberton. While at Pembroke, Paige said that she has made strong bonds with a few of her professors and made friends. She stressed that connections made with professors were what helped her succeed. She also said that she respects individual differences and appreciates “the various facets of diversity at UNCP.”

Paige was excited for this to be her senior year. Her graduating is a very important accomplishment to her family. She said that she loves Pembroke because to her it feels like home, but she was also ready to start another chapter of her life and continue learning and furthering her education. She felt that Pembroke has been significant to her because it allowed her to have a lot of good experiences which also built bonds with people that will not be broken. She said that she will miss the friends she has made here at Pembroke and also the memories she has experienced here. She offered these words of advice to freshmen: “Be active; broaden your horizons and have good time management skills.”

Paige Locklear

Profiled by Tari Medley



“UNCP allows you to stand out; you are not a number.”

Sam Miles has come a long way to attend UNCP. He is originally from Christchurch, New Zealand. He came to UNCP after being recruited for our soccer team. He is a first generation college student. He has three sisters back home in New Zealand. He has spent his senior year living off campus at Pembroke Place Apartments. He enjoys the convenience of having his own place while living close to campus. He is a very involved student on campus through his involvement in sports and clubs. He is the captain of the Soccer Team, president of the Alpha Chi Honor society, and the treasurer for the International Business Club. If you thought he was busy with those involvements, he is also double-majoring in Accounting and Business Administration.

A leader and good student both on and off the field he is the all-time leading scorer in UNCP soccer history and a two time Academic All-American. This year he was named the Student Athlete of the Week for the week of October 21st, 2014. He was also placed on the 2014 North Carolina Collegiate Sports Information Association (NCCSIA) College Division All-State Men's Soccer Second-Team. Another first he achieved is being the NSCAA/Disney Player of the Week, a first for the UNCP men's soccer team. He has won so many awards it would be difficult to list them all here.

Sam enjoyed that he was not the only international student on the soccer team. He loved that UNCP allows you to stand out and you are not a number at this university. He will miss all the great people he met at this university. The advice Sam would give to underclassmen is that they need to take advantage of the opportunities of the school and work hard in their studies and their sport. Sam hopes to remain in the US to continue his education at graduate school.

Jonathan David Bym

Journalism

Seagrove

Carla C. Cannon

Mathematics

Georgia

Philip James Carlson

Middle Grades Mathematics Education

Winston-Salem

Kristi Lynn Carter

Management

Mount Gilead

Neomi Emanuel Carter

Biology

North Carolina

Jonathan Bradley Chamberlain

History

Salisbury





Music majors spend hours practicing their skills, and each graduating senior performs in a recital in Moore Hall.

This December 2014 graduate crosses the stage after receiving her diploma.



Amber LeAnne Chavis
Criminal Justice
Pembroke

Scottie Chavis
Criminal Justice
Lumberton

Courtney Mornée Clark
Middle Grades Mathematics Education
Maxton



Hakeem La'Quante Clark
Exercise Physiology
Fayetteville

Kiara Nichole Cleveland
Social Work
Fayetteville

David Edward Cobb II
Exercise and Sports Science
Parkton

Jeremy Crews
Business Administration
Saint Pauls

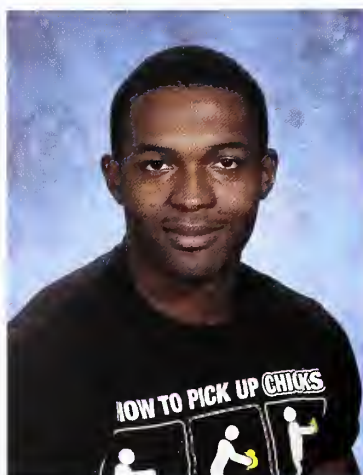
Janae Curtain
Mass Communication
Charlotte

Anthony Davis
Computer Science
Bladenboro

Candace Davis
Elementary Education
Pembroke

Cierra LaRae Davis
Broadcasting
Cameron

Mekia Junasia Davis
Biology
Charlotte



“Take advantage of all the opportunities UNCP offers.”

Sherry Marie Jacobs was born and raised in Pembroke, NC. She is the oldest of 12 siblings and a first-generation college student. After graduating from high school in 2000, she served in the military from 2004 until 2007. She has been stationed in numerous places including Texas, Georgia, and South Carolina. During her time serving, she held multiple positions at many of her locations, including rear detail; nuclear, chemical, and biological specialist; health care occupation specialist; and combat life support instructor. Sherry was pursuing a degree in public relations and marketing and worked as the event program coordinator for University Center and Programs and was an invaluable member of the staff. While at UNCP she has participated in multiple organizations and held numerous positions, including president of the Student Veterans Association, vice president of PRSSA, and advertising manager, photo editor, and circulation manager for *The Pine Needle*. The advice that she tries to pass on to every student is to “take advantage of all the programs and opportunities the university offers.” There are an outstanding amount of amazing services, organizations, and programs available to students but “they don’t take advantage of them because they don’t know they’re there.” She credits her choice of major and her success and experience in her career field to taking advantage of the opportunities on campus and being a part of multiple diverse activities.

In her spare time, Sherry has a growing photography business and spends time with her husband and three children who she says are her motivation. She said she enjoyed her time at UNCP and after graduation plans to work in a managerial position similar to the one she currently works in, but she hopes to one day attain her master’s degree.

Sherry Jacobs

Profiled by Paul Anderson II



Robert Carlyle Davis

Business Administration

Whiteville



Christina Michele Dawkins

Broadcasting/Public Relations

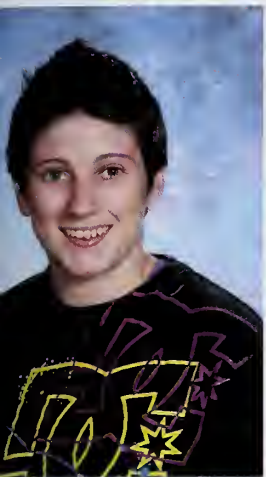
Fayetteville



Teresina De La Cruz

Criminal Justice/Sociology

Lake County, FL



Kasey Dean

Sports Management

Efland



Te'Ha Demps

Social Work/Sociology

Fairmont



Brittney Michelle Dockery

Elementary Education

Dublin



Christina Dawkins and Jasmin Jenkins take a break from cheering for the Braves during the Moonlight Madness pep rally.

December 2014 graduates march into the gym at the start of commencement to the familiar strains of Pomp and Circumstance.

Jamal Quick and Cierra Harris enjoy food and fellowship during an event for student leaders at the Chancellor's Residence.



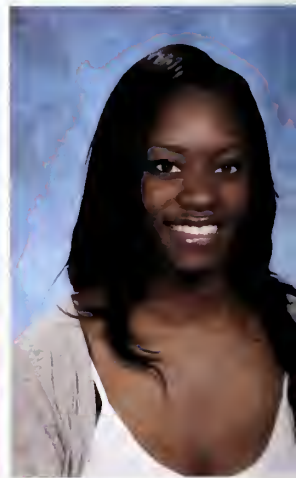
Just moments after receiving her diploma, this December 2014 graduate grasps her achievement tightly, smiling from ear to ear.



Darnell Rashad Dumas
Physical Education
Clayton

Joseph Edmund
Business Administration
Chadbourn

Chelsea Alece Elmore
Psychology
Charlotte



Amanda Nicole England
Social Work
Fayetteville

Andrea Nicole Evans
Biology
Fayetteville

Brittany Chanise Evans
Art
Fayetteville





"It's better to be an over-achiever than to fall short."

Marcus Sherman was a graduating senior from Lakewood, Washington, a very "wet" and "progressive environment" where he lived until he was 18 years old. Marcus grew up in a household of his mother and two brothers, one older and the other younger. His life at home was very independent. Everyone would pretty much do their own thing since his mother was working all of the time. Marcus is a first-generation college graduate and described this as very "invigorating" and said

that he was able to "figure out who he wanted to be without precedents." Marcus has always been a commuter, and he very much liked being able to live at home with his wife. The thing that Marcus liked best about UNCP was that he got the "opportunity to find who I am and who I want to be," because to him college is about finding yourself and not letting your peers define who you are. A biology major with a biomedical emphasis, Marcus described the professors as very approachable and helpful. Working 16+ hours a week, Marcus was a research assistant and was glad he had this job because it helped him better understand the composition of the subject matter. Marcus was also involved in many clubs; he was a member of the Student Advisory Board and a Chancellor's Ambassador, as well as being a member of Alpha Chi, Tri-Beta, Gamma Sigma Epsilon, and other groups. "All of these clubs not only strengthened my graduate school application but increased my confidence," he said. After graduation, Marcus will be attending graduate school at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology. He most definitely does not want to stay here with all of this humidity, so he also plans to move somewhere up North! To the upcoming freshmen, Marcus said, "Don't get your feet wet; jump in head first. It's better to be an overachiever than to fall short."

Profiled by Kyra Szabo



Shapora Bonique Faulk

Biology
Whiteville



Bryana Jayna Ferguson

Criminal Justice
Glenarden, MD



Kayla Lynn Ferguson

Criminal Justice
Salisbury



DeKwinte Finney

Recreation Management
Braun Summit



Anita Renee Freeman

Chemistry/Pre-Pharmacy
Graham



Jocelyn Frink

Criminal Justice
Johns Island, SC

Xiao Fu

Finance
China

Kristen Elizabeth Funderburk

Criminal Justice
Thomasville

Mia Chantel Goodman

Social Work
Wilson

Portia Symone Grady

Elementary Education
Leland

Barbara Michelle Graham

Social Work
Leland

Taylor M. Graham

Music
Maxton



This graduate displays her happiness after receiving her diploma during the 2014 December commencement.

Seniors on the Wrestling team are saluted in February 2015 during their final season as Braves. Daniel Ownbey, third from left, finished his career with his second-straight NCAA II national championship.





Linwood Earl Gunter

Sociology

Greenville



Patrika Olivia Hall

Biomedical

Gastonia



Patrick Michael Harmon

Computer Science

Statesville



Bianca Starché Harris

Biology

Fayetteville



Tangie A. Harris

Health Promotion

Hoke County

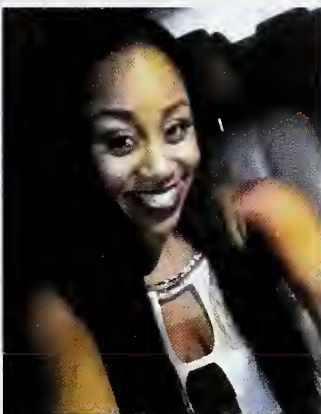


Oscar Henderson III

Medical Biology

Pembroke

Lanequa Robinson



"You're not rich until you have something money can't buy."

Lanequa Deona Robinson, whose nickname is Nequa, has lived her whole life in Wadesboro, NC, a small town where everybody knows everybody. She is the oldest child in a very close family, with three younger brothers. She also has a five-year-old son. She is a first-generation college student whose family is very excited that she attended college. Lanequa was shy at first, but participating in color guard made her more sociable and comfortable. College made her focus more; she

had more motivation and a lot to prove. Lanequa's major is Psychology, and she said the course offerings and faculty in this department are really good, reasonable, helpful, and respectful. She chose this field because her mom is a nurse who opened up a group home, where Lanequa would like to work; she was also influenced by her goddad, a family therapist.

In her free time Lanequa likes to sing, listen to music, and have quality time with her son. She has three best friends: Ezanti Cutthrell, Italia Grahm, and George Whigham. At UNCP, Lanequa has met people from diverse areas, including faculty member Judith Papaparozi, from New York, and one of her best friends, George Whigman, a Jamaican from Florida. Lanequa liked the diversity of the campus, saying, "It made me feel like there is no racism. I feel like they treat people as equal, including the faculty." She liked UNCP because the school tries to help you as best as they can, and it's not expensive. About finally being a senior, Lanequa said, "It's bittersweet." She will miss hanging out with friends, professors in her major, Bert's, and the college experience. Lanequa's plan after graduating was to do social work and then apply for her master's in social work, either at UNCP or FSU. Her tip to freshmen was to learn how to prioritize, manage their time, and avoid procrastination. In closing, Lanequa said, "Never give up, the sky is the limit," and, "You're not rich until you have something money can't buy."

Profiled by Bria McCorkle



“Having many different nationalities in teachers has opened my eyes.”

Jamal Quick comes from a Christian home in Fayetteville, and he came into college with support and knowledge from his two older sisters and older brother. When asked what he liked about living on campus, Jamal jokingly replied, “Not having to pay to wash clothes.” He described Pembroke as home, as in a place where he feels secure and at peace. A Business Administration major with a concentration in Management, Jamal sees himself as very persuasive and an all-around

business man. He has a great sense of humor that allows you to be yourself and feel very comfortable, as well as an amazing sense of style. Just talking to him, he seems like someone you would want running your business. At UNCP, Jamal was an SGA Senator and an Orientation Leader. Jamal was also involved in Brother to Brother, which helps males of all nationalities at UNCP get into the right habits. On top of his studies and taking part in the UNCP community, Jamal still found time to work in the Student Government Association as a Public Relations Officer. At UNCP Jamal has had teachers from various nationalities, and he said, “Having many different nationalities in teachers has opened my eyes to all the different teaching methods and shows how differently everyone values education.” Finally being a senior, he has realized time flies by so fast. When Jamal leaves he’s going to miss being a part of a wonderful diverse community where he is known as a person and not just another student passing through. He will also miss the people and the different relationships he has built; the first connection Jamal developed was with Leah Williams, a pre-law major. He believes they clicked because they had so much in common especially the fact that both of them come from a Christian home. After graduation Jamal plans to put his degree to use, hopefully working at a bank.

Samantha Ann Henry
Health Promotion

Elaine Lillian Hewett
English Education
Fair Bluff

Arik Edwin Hicks
Broadcasting
Irvine, CA

Rebekah Lynn Hinson
English
Lumberton

Amanda Jane Hiser
English
Virginia Beach, VA

Tammy Hoang
Chemistry
Hope Mills





This senior looks forward as he marches into the gym to receive his diploma in December 2014.



This Resident Advisor participates in the Homecoming parade with love and pride.



Trevin Trabor Hoskins

Criminal Justice

Laurinburg

Kyle Terance Howard

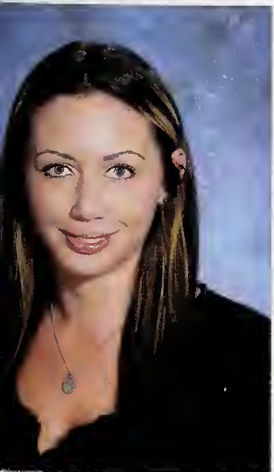
Exercise and Sport Science

Wilmington

Victoria Alexis Huggins

Broadcasting

Lumberton



Kayla Godwin Hughes

Biology

Parkton

Johnion Dale Hunt

Art

Maxton

Dorothy Combs Hunter

Business Administration

Sanford

Terrika Reenae Jackson

Social Work

Raeford

Sherry Marie Jacobs

Public Relations

Orrum

Tisha Chavis Jacobs

Elementary Education

Red Springs



Frank Dewey James, Jr.

Business Management

Newport News, VA

Christina Jean-Francois

History

Charlotte

Brittany Nicole Jeffery

Biology

Raeford



“READ—Even when you have no idea what you are reading, just keep reading.”

Rebekah Lynn Hinson is from Lumberton, where she has lived all of her life. She is married to a detective with the Lumberton Police Department, and they have three daughters: Rachel, 15; Emma, 7; and Leah Claire, 3. Although her husband and an uncle are college graduates, Rebekkah will be the first in her immediate family. Her parents still live in Lumberton and are, needless to say, extremely proud.

Rebekah was an English major and enjoyed reading and creative writing. Her favorite courses were African-American, Southern, and Native American Literature. Rebekah developed a beautiful friendship with Courtney Chavis, also an English major, in Dr. Rizzo's African-American Literature class a few years ago. Rebekkah loved the diversity of UNCP's campus, particularly because of the conversations while discussing literatures; it is nice to have so many viewpoints that can be respectfully expressed. In addition to classes, she worked part-time for the United Way of Robeson County and also coached the Lumberton High School cheerleading team for the past 7 years. Rebekkah lived on campus when she first enrolled at UNCP (her freshman year was 1998). Because of her family and work situations, she took very few hours over a number of years before she finally came back to school full-time last spring as a commuter. Finally becoming a senior and graduating were literally unbelievable. Her plans after graduation were to go into teaching full-time. If she could change one thing about UNCP, it would be: "Bring back the UNCP cheerleading team!!" Her advice to freshmen: "Your syllabus is everything. Keep a calendar and enter everything on that syllabus onto your calendar. READ—Even when you have no idea what you are reading, just keep reading. If you begin to feel hopeless, just keep going. Talk to your professors; they are here to help you."

Rebekkah Hinsen

Profiled by Nicole Payne



Jasmin Shavelle Jenkins

Mass Communication

Fayetteville



Malik André Jenkins

Information Technology

Morganton



Kirby Lee Johnson

Medical Biology

Elizabethtown



Malcom Achim Jones

Exercise Physiology

Scotland County



Satorria LeVerne Jones

Criminal Justice

Asheville



Danielle Fredericka Josephs

Exercise Physiology

Greensboro



This member of the marching band plays during the 2014 Homecoming parade, contributing to our Braves pride.

December 2014 graduate Tamika Johnson holds her head high as she shows off her diploma.

Lester Arnold attends a Homecoming event as part of the Homecoming Court.

These two graduates exchange smiles as they are entering the gym for the start of the December 2014 graduation.



Amanda Marie Kairis
Health Promotion
High Point

Biruk Kassaw
Management/Finance
Washington, DC

Rashon Darell Kennedy
Business Marketing
Cleveland, OH

Mercedes Sequoia Kerney
Elementary Education
Maxton

Mark Anthony Kerr
Broadcasting
Huntersville

Rebecca Klingenschmidt
Elementary Education
Red Springs





"I love the diversity on campus. People learn so much from others."

Markey Davon McNeill, known around campus as "Key," was born in Fuquay-Varina, NC. Key's family is big; his father has 18 kids, 6 boys and 12 girls. Key is the youngest male. His family is fun, they love to laugh, and they throw big parties as well as family gatherings. Key's graduating means a lot to his family. By graduating, he has a chance to set an example for everyone in his hometown and family. He is from a rough neighborhood called Baytree Apartments. No one from there has graduated from college; he will be the first. Key has tried both commuting and living on campus. Commuting made him sleepy from all the driving, and he had to spend a lot of money on gas. Key liked living on campus more because, although it can be boring, he got to see his friends a lot. Key's major was Broadcasting. He loves recording and speaking. Key said that the broadcasting program was "fantastic." Beyond getting involved with his major, Key also played football for two years at UNCP. Football gave Key something to look forward to instead of just going to his classes and heading straight home. Aside from all of his work and extracurricular activities, Key was a community leader. He runs his own organization, "BYU": Black Young & United. UNCP has given Key more than just a degree and memorable experiences; it has given him the chance to meet someone who will continue to be significant in his life. Tyrus Barnes is Key's best friend. They met in front of the UC on campus. Key loves the diversity on campus, saying that "people learn so much from others than just your own race or background." To Key, being a senior feels good and he says that it has been a long time coming. After Key graduates, he plans to travel all over, focusing on radio and broadcasting. Some advice for freshmen would be to party hard, but study harder. Words to live by from your man, Markey McNeill.

Profiled by Nicole Payne



Samantha Summer Langley
Journalism/Public Relations
Bennett



Zuanisha Vashaé Leach
Psychology
Raeford



LaVianca Asanté DeAsia Ledbetter
Public Relations
Gastonia



Lakima Tyishe Legette
Political Science
Jersey City, NJ



Hannah Rachael Lineberger
Elementary Education
Fayetteville



Aarianeilja Janine Locklear
Political Science
Lumber Bridge

Carol Nakesa Locklear

Biology
Pembroke

Elizabeth Leigh Locklear

Occupational Therapy
Pembroke

Lisa Faye Locklear

Social Work
Red Springs

Paige Locklear

Biology
Maxton

Tabitha Grace Locklear

Elementary Education
Lumberton

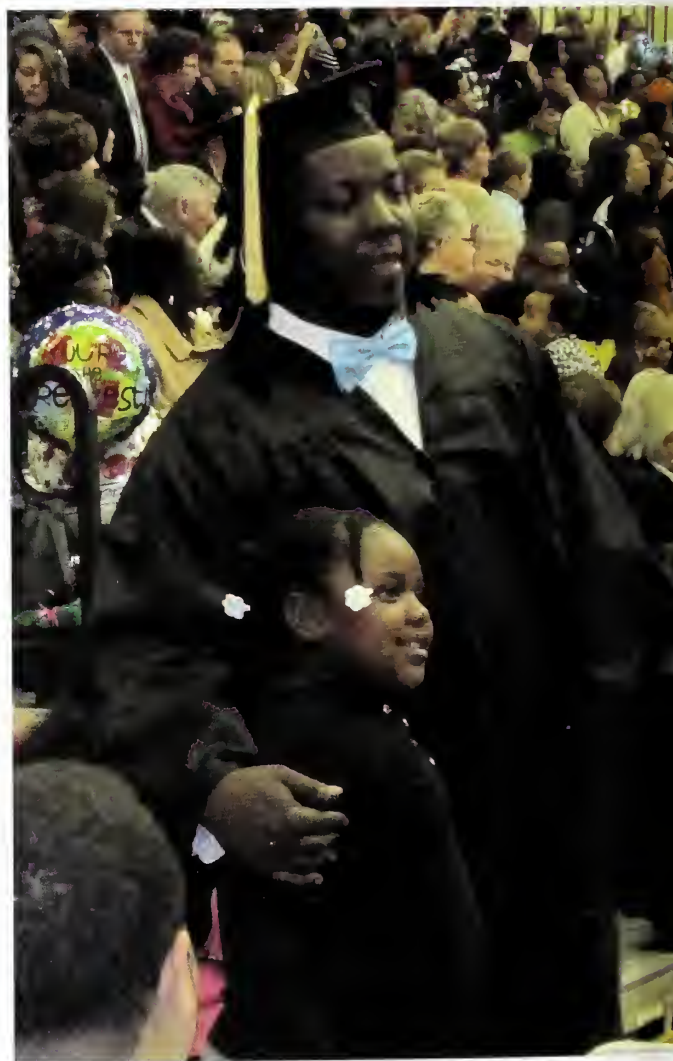
Deondria Q. Love

Broadcasting
Lumber Bridge



These two Lady Braves softball players get into the Homecoming spirit while waiting for the parade to pass by.

This December 2014 graduate gets a hug from a young family member after he has received his diploma.





Colin Lee Lowery

Biology

Raeford



Daniel W. Luck

Broadcasting

Fayetteville



Iris Teresa Lyons

Applied Information Technology

Bladenboro



Jiselle Maldonado

Broadcasting

Charlotte



Devon Alexandra Mauldin

Social Work

Kannapolis



Amanda Maxson

Business Administration

Erie, PA

Xianxian Xu



“Being an exchange student is a very unique experience.”

Xianxian Xu is a foreign exchange student from China (near Hong Kong) and has been living in the U.S. for two years now. Her entire family is from China, including her older brother Allen that she lived with back home. She is not a first-generation college student due to the fact that education is very important in her household and held in high regard by her parents and other family members. Xianxian lived

on campus at UNCP and liked the fact that she was so close to her classes. She was majoring in Political Science with a concentration in Public Administration because she enjoys management and dealing with individuals on a personal basis. Xianxian is a very determined student who wants to use UNCP to her advantage. She had also wanted a job to help her pay for college, but because she is a foreign exchange student she was unable to legally have a job while going to school.

Xianxian's hobbies consist of cooking and finding recipes, watching action movies, and swimming. She does not have a religion, but she has “learned a lot from my Christian counterparts that attend UNCP.” They have greatly impacted how she views different things. Xianxian has created strong bonds with many friends, including her roommate who is Filipino and who has helped her adjust to the culture shock that comes with being an exchange student. There will definitely be a continuing relationship with her Filipino friend after college life.

The experience of being a foreign exchange student has been very unique because of meeting new students from a completely different culture/background. After college she plans to travel back to China and start working as a secretary there. Some key advice she gave to freshmen is not to party too much, have respect for upper classmen, be a mature student, and get directions in your major.

Profiled by Seth Larson



"Work hard, and take advantage of your opportunities."

Jonathan David Bym is a senior at UNC Pembroke. Jon was born and raised in Seagrove, North Carolina, a small town south of Asheboro, and even small in comparison to Pembroke. Jon described his family as "normal." He comes from a two-parent home, and he said his parents were and are very supportive of all his goals in life. Jon also has one other sibling, a younger brother who is a junior in high school. He has lived on campus at Oak. He prefers living on campus, and said he has never really had the desire to live off campus. He prefers the convenience of living on campus, versus worrying about an off-campus apartment.

Jon was a Mass Communication major, and he hoped to have a career in either sports broadcasting or sports journalism. He feels equally passionate about both of those fields and could see himself working in either one. He was the Editor-in-Chief of *The Pine Needle*, UNCP's student newspaper. Before becoming Editor-in-Chief he had served as the Sports Editor for the paper. For WNCP-TV he created the sports play-by-play. He was also a member of the National Broadcasting Society.

His experience at Pembroke is one he'll never forget. Jonathan liked the small size of Pembroke's campus and classrooms. The amount of interaction between students and faculty was very nice. He also truly enjoyed the diversity of this campus. He said, "It's not just diversity of race; it's sexual orientation, it's religious beliefs; there's all kinds of diversity on this campus." He believes the small size of the campus allows more personal interactions between students and staff. After graduating, he plans to get a job in sports journalism and work his way up to broadcasting. His advice to entering freshmen was, "Enjoy college, work hard, and take advantage of your opportunities."

Kristen Leigh Mayernik

Psychology
Fayetteville

Douglas James McBride

Criminal Justice
Lumberton

Christopher Michael McCarty

Art
Raeford

Ciarra Prestine McCloud

Criminal Justice
Kernersville

Joseph Darrell McEachin

Sociology
Maxton

Katelynn Kara McLain

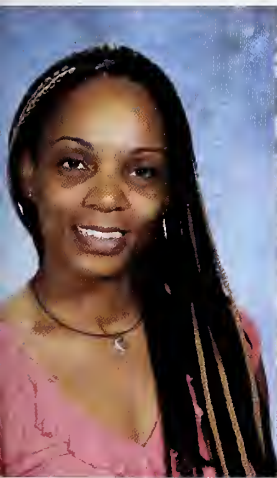
Sports Management
Jacksonville





Turning her tassel, Alpha Pi Omega sister Breanna Locklear displays joy after receiving her diploma in December 2014.

SGA President Biruk (BK) Kassaw attends an ACE-sponsored event during the Fall 2014 semester.



Shelbi Jeanine McMillan

Social Work

West End

Halbreonda Sullay McNeill

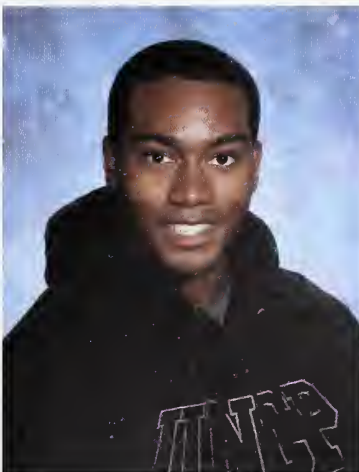
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Kannapolis

Markey Davon McNeill

Broadcasting

Fuquay-Varina



Vivian Wilson McRae

Sociology

Shannon

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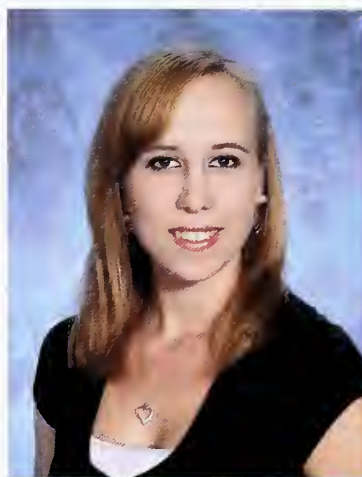
Psychology

Newton

Stuart Nadeau

Marketing and Management

Pembroke



Ashley Ivelisse Olivencia

Biomedical

Fayetteville

Veronica Perfecta Oquendo

Geo-Environmental Studies

Fayetteville

Sara Elizabeth Owen

Journalism

Fayetteville



"I love media. It always interested me."

Deondria Quashay Love, also known as DeDe, was a senior here at UNC Pembroke. The younger of two children, she resided in Lumber Bridge, where she has lived for 22 years. Deondria is following in her mother's and older sister's footsteps by going to college. The main thing Deondria loves about her family is that "they are dysfunctional but lovable and helpful." Deondria lived at home and drove to school every day. She loved being a commuter student because she had the

freedom to come and go as she pleased, but she said that the down side was having to drive so early in the morning for her 8 AM and 9 AM classes—and she had a hard time finding a parking spot.

Deondria's major was Broadcasting with a minor in Media Integration Studies. "I love media. It always interested me about how people can make television shows and animated shows that I wanted to learn myself," said Deondria. "The Mass Communication department has the most helpful and fun faculty, which makes it easier and fun to learn," she added. Deondria worked in the *Indianhead* yearbook office, and she says "Working in the yearbook office actually helps my studies because some days I can catch up on work when there is nothing for me to work on in the office. It is peaceful and quiet." Deondria also volunteered at some of the UNCP school events. She draws, sews, and dances. She attends church and has a fondness for designing and decorating things. Deondria said that what she likes best about UNCP is "the people I met and had the opportunity to work with." She said that she will miss walking around campus and interacting with different people at the many events held at UNCP. She is super excited to be a senior because she will be starting a new chapter in her life after graduating.

Deondria Love

Profiled by Sierra Locklear



Natonya Colette Owens

Political Science

Lumberton

Katherine Janine Oxendine

Public Administration

Shannon

Randi Gay Oxendine

Exercise Physiology

Goldsboro



Keith E. Parker

Social Work

Southern Pines

Chelsey Noelle Parsons

Art

Raeford

Emily Jo Paul

Biology

Pembroke



This UNCP Brave displays a different talent off the field as he takes pictures at the 2014 Homecoming parade while showing off his jersey.

Mia Goodman and other December 2014 graduates converse and get ready to line up in the Auxiliary Gym before the ceremony.

Seniors Mike Lowrey and Josh Barbour get ready to line up in the Auxiliary Gym before the start of December 2014 graduation.

December 2014 graduate Iris Lyons is congratulated by Dr. Carter at a ceremony honoring graduates who had served in the military.



Nicole Payne

Public Relations
Reidsville

Corbren Nichelle Powell

Psychology
Jamestown

Dezzarayi Ayron Powell

International Business
Gastonia



Jamal Demetrius Quick

Management
Fayetteville

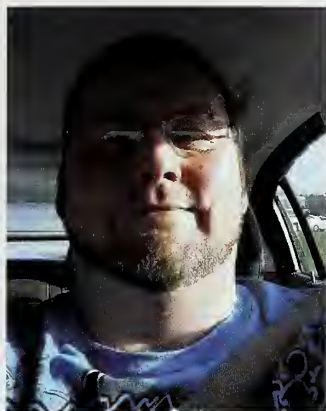
Audrey Cierra Ray

Birth-Kindergarten Education
Pikeville

Andrew Reece

Middle Grades Math Education
Winston-Salem





“Knowing that my hard work has paid off is an amazing feeling.”

Robert Carlyle Davis is a 46-year-old senior who has lived most of his life in Whiteville, NC, with the exception of living one year in Summerville, SC. He prefers to live in Whiteville because he has a very close family, and he likes to spend time with them. He was pursuing his degree to obtain a better job so he can provide more for his wife of 24 years and his two children.

Robert has worked in his field as a manager but has taken a break to focus on his studies due to health problems. He received his associate's degree from Southeastern Community College and then transferred to UNCP. He is majoring in Business Administration and hopes to teach online classes when he is finished with his education. He has hopes to go into the graduate program at UNCP and pursue his master's degree.

Unlike students who attend all or most of their classes on campus, Robert was an online student. He said that he likes UNCP because he has a close relationship with his professors even though he is an online student.

Being a senior was a surreal experience for Robert. He says just knowing that his hard work and perseverance have paid off is an amazing feeling. If he had one thing to say to all of the underclassmen it would be to pay attention to your graduation schedule and to make sure that there will not be any surprises in your path.



Thi Minh Richmond
Chemistry
Bladenboro



Gabriel Jacob Roberts
Criminal Justice
St. Pauls



Kaitlin Gayle Robertson
Criminal Justice
Providence



Antonio Robinson
Sports Management
Laurinburg



Lanegua Deona Robinson
Psychology
Wadesboro



Jillian Roscoe
Social Work
Laurinburg

Laurie Constance Rose

Social Work
Whispering Pines

Shakim Joy Rush

Sociology
Elizabethtown

Sarah Elizabeth Russell

Chemistry
Goldston

Ricardo Audwin Samuel Jr.

Information Technology
Brooklyn, NY

Kimberly Dianne Scales

Exercise and Sports Science
Fayetteville

Jillian Leannah Scott

Criminal Justice
Lumberton



Former SGA and ASG president Robert Nunnery receives his degree in Social Studies Education in December 2014.

Sorority sisters like Tri-Sigma Brit-tany Wilkins and Zeta Tau Alpha sister Cristin Crady come together as part of the Homecoming parade to show school spirit.





Stephanie Sellers

Business Administration

Waynesville



Bobbie Lee Sessoms

Broadcasting

Newton Grove



Mary Kate Sewell

Psychology

Polkton



Mycah Theair Sewell

General Biology

Stockbridge, GA



Marcus Daniel Sherman

Biomedical

Lakewood, WA

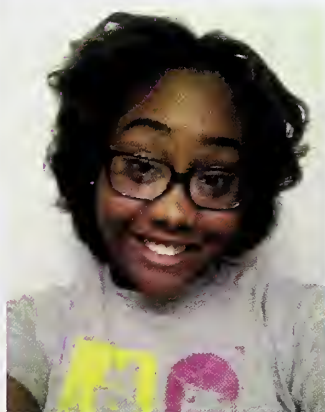


Abbigail Shipley

Special Education

Mooreville

Bryana Ferguson



“Every student needs to branch out, meet new people, try new things.”

Bryana Ferguson, more commonly known as “Fergie,” is from a Maryland suburb near Washington, DC. She has a family of three: just her mother, father, and herself. She is a first-generation college student and takes pride in this. Her parents are very supportive of her, not only in school but in everything else as well. She “sets the bar” so to speak for other family members to follow in her footsteps, such as the multiple younger cousins she is very close to. Bryana lived at Commons Apartments and loved the privacy of having her own apartment and the ability to study in peace and quiet.

A Criminal Justice major with a minor in Terrorism Studies, she loved all of her classes. Bryana had an internship at the Lumberton Police Department, which has helped better her networking and communication skills. She worked in the Office for Community and Civic Engagement and was a member of the Chinese Club, the National Council for Negro Women, and the Student Affairs Advisory Board. All of these experiences and other school activities have “made my experience,” she said. She stressed that every student needs to branch out, meet new people, and also join clubs to gain the full college experience. Since her time here at UNCP, she has formed many new relationships with people from various states and ethnic backgrounds that she expects she will stay in contact with for several years to come, including Mike Arriendel and many others.

What Bryana enjoyed most was that the campus is small and it is easy to make connections with many people. She is ecstatic about being a senior. After she graduates, she plans on attending graduate school at Tulane University. She encourages all students to get involved in school activities and just try new things.

Profiled by David Locklear



“Don’t be afraid to try new things”

Tieghlor Janysssek is originally from New Bern, NC, but at the age of 14 she moved to Whiteville, then moved again when she came to UNC Pembroke in Robeson County. She is a first generation college student with a supportive and unique family. As a first generation college student, she said, you “go into everything blindly.” Both her parents own stores; her mother runs an e-store and her father a men’s clothing store. Tieghlor lives off campus in an apartment but since her parents are over in Lumberton she goes home frequently. She is double-majoring in Public Relations and History. She chose History because it did not come easily for her. “Since I am paying for an education I should be working for that education,” she said. She was also inspired by a great high school History teacher. She picked Public Relations because her mother worked in that field and she later got a taste of it and really enjoyed it.

She is grateful for her professors and loves all of them. She loves being able to actually get to know them and them getting to know her. She has taken a class with Dr. Frederick almost every semester and was happy to receive a comment from him on a paper after her final class saying “your writing has improved so much.” Besides academics, Tieghlor has been heavily involved in the campus community. She is a past president of Zeta Tau Alpha and is a member of PRSSA. In addition she is an intern for the Office of Diversity and Inclusion. She also works in the Lumberton office of H&R Block as a customer service representative. Some people that will continue to be significant in her life after she graduates are her sisters from Zeta Tau Alpha, Greek life friends such as Michael Simma, and her academic department friends. She is not sure where she will be working exactly, but she says there are lots of opportunities open to her.

Frederick Scott Simmons
Social Work
Chicago, IL



Sylvaster Leon Singley
Criminal Justice
Columbia, SC

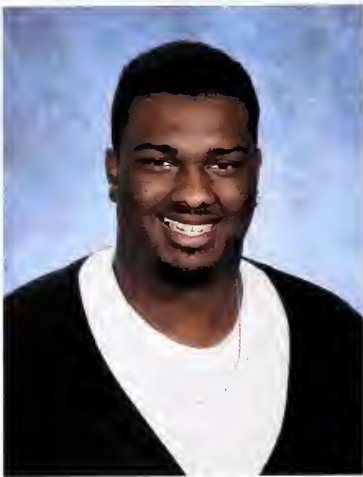


Brenna Michelle Smith
Social Work
Kelly

Brittany Marie Soles
Social Work
Lumberton



Jamal Soles
History
Whiteville



Anita Hunt Spaulding
Sociology
Lumberton



Purcell Strickland is congratulated by Chancellor Carter at a ceremony honoring December 2014 graduates who had served in the military.

Poised and diploma-ready, these two graduates show off their smiles as they enter the 2014 December graduation ceremony.



Jenna Stewart
Elementary Education
Cary

Amanda Strickland
Social Studies Education
Warsaw

Benjamin Strickland
Special Education
Stedman



Kristen LeAnne Strickland
Criminal Justice
Pembroke

Mychael Danielle Strickland
General Biology
Laurinburg

Nancy Vera Suarez
Biology
Biscoe

Chanteá D. Swinson-Rhoe

Sociology/Criminal Justice
Mebane

Janea Thomas

Social Work
Fairmont

Robert William Thomas

Middle Grades Math Education
Yanceyville

Victoria Renee Thompson

Social Work
Monroe

Daniel Bryan Travis

Information Technology
High Point

Johnathan Deshaun Wall

Exercise & Sport Science/Sports Management
Madison



“Everything and everyone has a story; you just have to find it.”

Sara Elizabeth Owen was born in Fayetteville and considers it her true home. She is the youngest in her family of four. She has gone through a lot this past year when her father became ill, but it has made her family stronger, and after a long time in the hospital, her dad is doing well. Sara’s major is Mass Communication/Journalism, and she absolutely loves it. She is a curious person who is going to question everything. She will take the stories that nobody wants because every story deserves a writer’s time and attention.

“I hate when someone says something happening isn’t newsworthy. Everything and everyone has a story; you just have to be willing to dig deep enough to find it,” she said. In addition to working as an editor for *The Pine Needle*, Sara is a freelance writer and photographer for *ARRAY Magazine* in Fayetteville. At UNCP she has made many friends from different cultures, and she has attended powwows and other events that exposed her to American Indian culture. One person that she enjoyed meeting was Dr. Veronica Hardy, whom she profiled for her Feature Writing class; she also enjoyed talking to Chancellor Kyle R. Carter and Mrs. Sarah Carter. But her favorite person on campus is Ms. Jennifer Carter of the Mass Communication Department, who always had smile and a kind greeting for her. “She is a gem,” said Sara.

Sara’s favorite thing about UNCP is that it is a small school. She started at ECU, and she hated the fact that the professors didn’t know her name and she never once met her adviser in person. At UNCP, all of her professors know her name and they will work with her. For school spirit, though, she said that when she was at ECU, there was purple and gold everywhere, even on the cop cars. She felt that there needed to be more social sports on our campus and more Black and Gold. Go Braves!

Sara Owen

Profiled by Nolan Pierce



Xinyi Wang

Chemistry

Shaanxi, China

Desiree Genise Marie Ware

Public Relations

Fayetteville

Timothy Scott Wells

Criminal Justice

Fayetteville



Elizabeth Dawn White

Elementary Education

Mount Airy

Delila Williams

Nursing

Parkton

Mary Wilson

Information Technology

Sanford

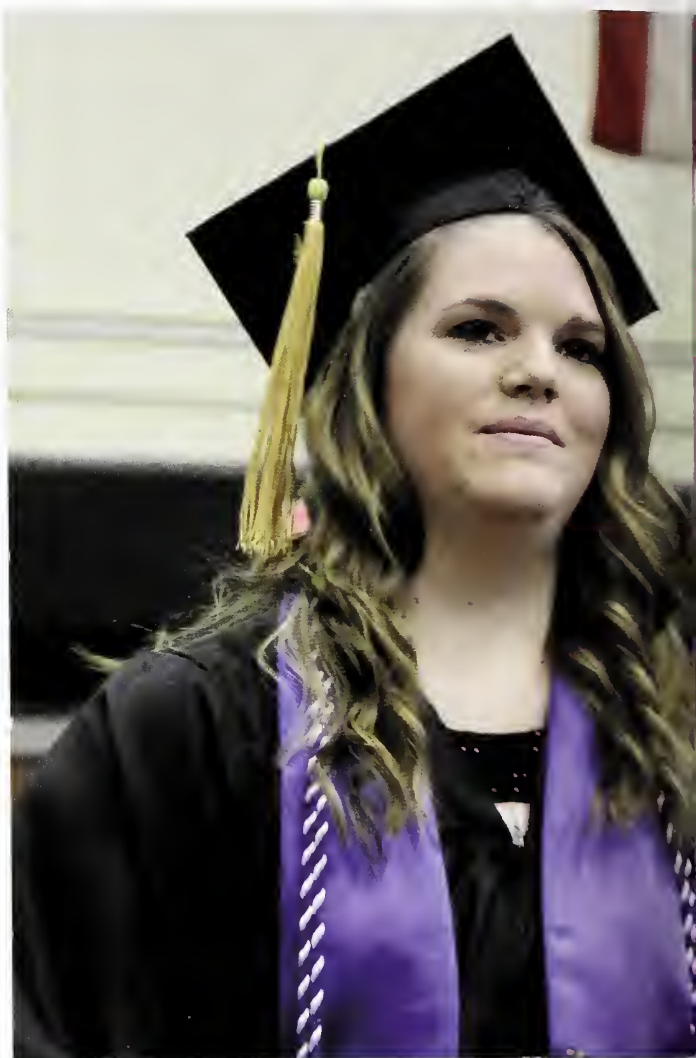


This graduate displays a modest smile as she walks across the stage to shake Provost Ken Kitts's hand after receiving her diploma from Chancellor Carter.

Jonathan Bym chats with people in the crowd while covering the Homecoming pep rally for The Pine Needle.

These ladies enjoy the fellowship and conversation at an event at the Chancellor's Residence.

Nicole Payne stands tall with pride after receiving her degree in Public Relations at the December 2014 graduation ceremony.



Shanita LaTrece Wilson

Business Administration

Fayetteville

Brittany Woolard

Health Promotion

Raleigh

Dominique Devaraux Wright

Criminal Justice

Fair Bluff



Xian Xian Xu

Political Science

Guangzhou, China

Jasmine Shanice Young

Criminal Justice

Fayetteville



Yijue Zhao

Business Administration

China



“Follow your dreams, and fly wherever your wind takes you.”

Dezzarayi Powell was born in Washington, DC, but she has been living in North Carolina for going on 20 years now. She is thankful for her very supportive family. She has three siblings (two sisters, one brother), as well as a niece and nephew. She commuted to UNCP, but her place was close to the school. She enjoyed having her own place but still being close to campus so she could enjoy the campus activities.

Dezzarayi was majoring in Business Administration with a concentration in International Business. She doesn't want to stay in just one location, but travel around. She has studied abroad for a semester in South Korea, and she lived on campus for a semester with the exchange students in the Global Learning Community. She also got some hands-on experience in her degree by working for Business Services on campus. The faculty has helped her by providing direction in what career she can achieve with her degree. She was a sister and the president of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc, Senator for Student Government, a member of the International Business Club, and a member of SHRM. She loves making new friends, playing video games in the UC, or just attending events of other organizations on campus.

Now that she was a senior she felt that this is real and the time has come for her to finally get her degree. Her sorority sisters will continue to be significant in her life after she graduates. She loved how small classes were at this university, allowing great interaction between everyone. Her plans after graduation were finding a career or potentially graduate school, either at FH Schmalkalden in Germany or Howard University in DC. In conclusion, she wanted to share with us a quote by Mahatma Gandhi: “An eye for an eye will only make the whole world blind.”



SGA Vice President Tanner O'Quin reflects an something Heather Bennett has said during a Fall 2014 event for student leaders.

Waiting for their chance to walk across the stage, seniors look into the crowd for their loved ones.

Stephanie Campbell

Social Work

Raeford

E'Zanti Cuthrell

Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Gibsonville

Nikki Nicole Edwards

Mathematics Education



Ricky Greene

Sports Administration

Trinity

Robyn Hale

Professional School Counseling

Fayetteville

Fadra McMillan

Elementary Education



This graduate student receives the hood signifying her newly-earned master's degree at the December 2014 graduate commencement.

Bessie Barnes performs for the crowd at the 2015 Miss UNCP pageant. Bessie became the second graduate student in a row to be crowned as Miss UNCP.





Elliott Samuel III

Health and Physical Education
Rockingham



Nadine V. Samuel

Clinical Mental Health Counseling
Rockingham



Beverly Vause

Sports Administration
Fairmont



Ambria Willoughby

Social Work
Morven



***“Always remember to have fun
and do not stress.”***

Leona Ruth Howell, originally from Indiana, moved to North Carolina in the 90's. Leona describes her hometown to be “Tiny and noisy.” She has a large but close-knit family, as she is one of eight children, with five sisters and two brothers. She decided to attend the University of North Carolina at Pembroke because of the small campus and the one-on-one opportunities given with the small classes. Commuting to UNCP has its pros and cons, according to Leona; “being able to go

home to a place I own and not the university owns” is the best part. Traveling through Lumberton is Leona's least favorite part, as that is never a fun drive. Following her father's footsteps, history became her major in undergraduate studies. As a stepping-stone for her future career in archeology, social studies education became her graduate study major. Leona is very busy as she is editor-in-chief of *The Aurochs*, UNCP's student literary magazine. She will work between 10-30 hours per week on top of continuing to excel in her graduate studies. Leona says, “Work does not affect my studies because time management is a strong suit of mine,” and she advises all undergraduate students to work on their time management, as it will help in their college career. Spending any free time reading and writing, she also finds time to help take care of her sister-in-law's precious one-year-old and newborn. Chelsey Parsons and Dr. Karen Helgeson will be greatly missed after Leona parts ways with the university. Chelsey has been a dear friend who also works on *The Aurochs*, and Dr. Karen Helgeson is a much-appreciated professor who has left a mark in Leona's life forever. Applying to field schools, digs for archeology, and possibly working in museums are among Leona's plans for after graduation. In closing, Leona says, “Always remember to have fun and do not stress” as her advice to entering freshmen.

Leona Howell

Profiled by Amanda Williams



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Professors James Robinson, Dandan Liu, and George Harrison have just crossed the bridge on their way to the quad for the May 2014 undergraduate commencement.





Freshmen cross the bridge as they walk from the quad to the GPAC for Fall 2014 Convocation, marking the start of their academic careers at UNCP.

Undergraduates/Postgraduates



Students enjoy snacks and conversation in the UC Lounge, a popular place to spend time in between classes.



Students take advantage of the nice weather during the fall 2014 semester to spend time in the gazebo.



*Courtney Cade Adams
Erin Nehemiah Aiken
Ashley Lynn Allen
Timothy Applewhite*



*Laura Lyndel Armstrong
Jimmy Leon Blue Jr.
Phillip Bowles
Patrick Britt*



*Sonvia Brown
Cristina Morvía Clark
Andrew George Cole
Zachary Covington*



*Jasmyne Davis
Jon DiFranco
Diana Dillard
Tiquandra Shonturah Ellison*





"The pace of life is slower, but the people are very friendly."

Ryder Jones is a 21-year-old international exchange student from the small town of Rhyl, Wales, in the United Kingdom. At home he attended the University of Bangor, where he earned a degree in Mass Communication. Ryder was a third-generation college student, following in the footsteps of his mother, who finished college two years ago. College is important to his family because it provides an opportunity to move away from the small town they are from.

Ryder lived on campus here at UNCP and said that sharing a room was something he had to adjust to when coming to America. At his university in Wales, he did not have to share a room or bathroom with anyone. Another adjustment he had to make after coming to UNCP was adapting to the slower pace of life, but he said he enjoyed meeting Southern American people because they are very friendly. Ryder did not have a job while at Pembroke because his visa would not allow it. In his free time he likes soccer and swimming.

Ryder chose UNCP because of the culture and because he wanted to learn more about Native Americans. His favorite professor on campus was Ms. Sara Oswald because she is nice and understanding to his needs as an international student. Ryder said that UNCP is a lot different than the UK, and he was grateful that everyone was so helpful on campus. One thing he wished Pembroke had more of would be nightlife and activities; students need more things to do outside of going to class and studying. They need to meet more people.

Profiled by Nicole Payne



*Fatima Brianna Funderburk
Sarah E. Grissett
Brenttana Diana Hairston
Robert Joshua Hamilton*

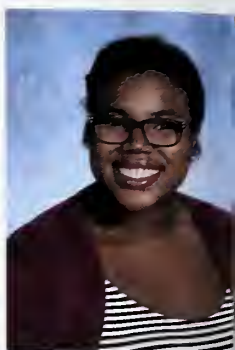


*Christian Happel
Sarah B. Henderson
Angel Nicole Howley
Nehemiah Johnson*



*Belinda Jones
Ryder Jones
Constance Keener
Mercedes Locklear*

Robin Ann McCarty
Barbara Ann McInnis
Trinity Kayona LeTicia McLean
Ariessa Maria McNeal



Kaitlin Meares
Deana Moore
Elizabeth Moser
Nikita Cheri Newkirk



Ina Mae Locklear Oxendine
Helene Beatrice Paul
Jackson Lee Pevyhouse
Tyana Purdie



Lakenzie Reaves
Aliyah Reid
Dana Reijerkerk
Taylor Katherine Rice



Cathryn Michelle Rimes
Sir Ovynten D. Rivera
Briana Roberts
Justin Roberts

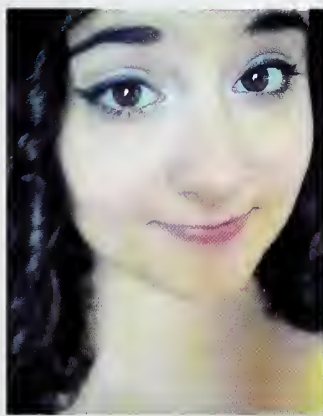




*Schaintel Otteyonna Robinson
Christian Butler Ryckele
Beth Storey
Jacob Thompson*

*Alex Michael Tutts
Gwyneth Vargas
Christopher Louis Venditti
Krystyna Jaway Vinson*

*Kenya Williams
Kyler Williamson
Antavia Moné Wynn
Patricia T. Zoch*



“I was inspired by Mrs. Mary Zets. She made biology enjoyable.”

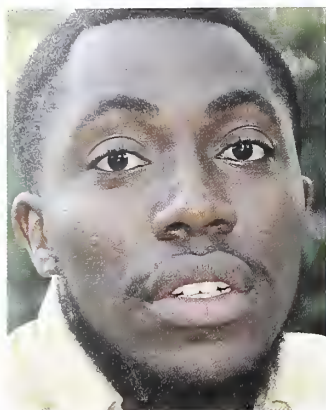
Raven White, also known as “Raybear,” was a second-semester sophomore in Fall 2014. Born in Columbia, MO, Raven moved with her family to Hubert, NC, when she was ten. Hubert is such a small town that, Raven said, “all we have is a post office and two traffic lights.” Raven’s family, which she described as very loving, included her mother, father, two brothers, an adopted sister, and a great-grandmother, whom she calls “Nana”: her mother was expecting another addition to the family,

a baby girl named Addison, to be born in late December.

Raven chose to attend UNCP because “it was just the right distance away from home. I didn’t want to be too close to home or too far away.” Her experience here has made her an independent person, and she has met plenty of new people from places including Africa, China, Japan, Germany, Spain, Italy, Canada, Ireland, and Australia. On campus Raven lived in Cypress Hall, which she liked; “The walk is a bit of a ways but,” she said, “it’s worth it.” Raven changed her major to Elementary Education with a concentration in Biology when she took Mrs. Mary Zets’s biology course. “I was inspired by Mrs. Zets. She made biology enjoyable,” she said, and she realized she wanted to teach science.

Raven held three campus jobs: Information Station, SI Leader, and tutor for Biology, working 20 hours per week. Among her many passions are music and theater, but unfortunately she didn’t have much room on her schedule for that. Her main extracurricular activity was being a part of Purple Door Studios in Lumberton, which was putting on a play called *A Christmas Carol*.

Profiled by Brianna Sellers



“The Writing Center is awesome when it comes to help with writing papers.”

Divine Mbah was a sophomore and a very long way from his home of Bamenda in Cameroon, Central Africa. He has four siblings, three brothers and one sister, and he described his family as “family-oriented and Christian.” He also comes from a line of royalty, for his dad is a prince back in Africa. One of the main reasons he decided to come to Pembroke was that his uncle, Dr. Charles Tita, is a professor at the university teaching African-American Literature. At UNCP, Divine lived in Pembroke Place, which he described as very enjoyable: “You get to have your own room, cook your own meals, and get your own personal space.” He chose biology as his major because, he said, “I want to be the first doctor in my family, and there are a lot of great professors in that field.” College life wasn’t that much of a change for Divine; both of his parents went to college, so he already knew what to expect. The differences to him were that “the weather is always changing, the technology is different than it is back home, and the size of the school is pretty big.” Divine particularly appreciated the Writing Center, which was “awesome” when it came to getting help with writing his papers. Divine has met all kinds of people from different cultures at UNCP. When it comes to work, Divine knows all about it. He had a work-study position in Undergraduate Admissions, and he also worked tutoring math and as a sales associate at Advanced Auto Parts. He was also very involved at the university as vice president of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and a member of the UNCP club soccer team. Overall Divine has enjoyed his experience here and planned to continue his journey until it’s time for him to graduate.

Teneia C. Baker

Alexis Colette Benson-Wilson

Amanda Rose Bownman

Bryanna Braithwaite



Jacob Brown

Laura Helen Brown

Courtney Lanette Campbell

Blake Carney



Breone Carswell

Jalen Marquice Chappelle

Virginia Clymore

Maria Victoria Clark





Multitasking is the new normal, as this student checks his phone while also carrying on a conversation with a friend.

These ladies stop to take a selfie while participating in the Moonlight Madness pep rally during Homecoming week.



*Hannah Elizabeth Cole
Imani Coleman
Sydney Leigh Cox
Mary Grace Curiale*



*Jasmine Davis
Nicole DeFede
Jeffrey Eaton
Joshua Elliot*



*Zachary Doyle Freeman
Quaison Tyree Gilchrist
Ana Gudiel
Brandi Kiersten Guffey*

*Brittany Noel Hayes
Courtney Briana Holt
Nicolas Austin Hopkins
Whitley Elise Hunter*



*Mena Gamal Issa
Carmen Aguilar Johnson
DeAndra Senoj Jones
Zari Karima Carrie Jones*



*Joseph Leary
Hope Denise McLean
Manuel Gustavo Mejia Diaz
Dina Nobles*



Darian Formy Dubal



"I love how accepting everyone is. It has allowed me to express myself."

Darian Formy Duval is a sophomore who loves UNCP. Darian grew up in Lake Waccmaw, and she describes it as like paradise, with it getting especially busy during the summer time when the tourists show up. She comes from a very loving and supporting family that will support her in her endeavors. At UNCP, she lives off campus at Pointe Apartments. Her love for this university and the people here can only be surpassed by her love for Sodexo. Should you ever need to find her during the day, the first place to go would be the caf.

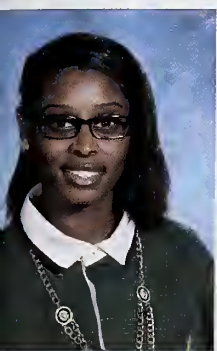
Darian feels that the campus is pretty safe, and she enjoys how friendly student housing is. She is majoring in Business Marketing with a minor in Political Science. Darian keeps herself busy being involved in many different parts of campus. Her main involvement is with Sodexo, where she works as both a marketing intern and the chair of the Student Advisory Board. She is also the chair of the Last Lecture Committee, the former Government Operations Chairman for Student Government, and a member of the Greener Coalition.

All her involvement has allowed her to get to know members of the administration. Darian said Dr. Lisa Schaeffer is an amazing woman, and Dr. John Jones is awesome and has helped her out a lot. She loves how accepting everyone is, and it has allowed her to express herself without fear of rejection. She enjoys the fact that the surrounding area and UNCP itself are so diverse. Darian truly enjoys her time here and looks forward to the future with UNCP.

Profiled by Robert Hamilton



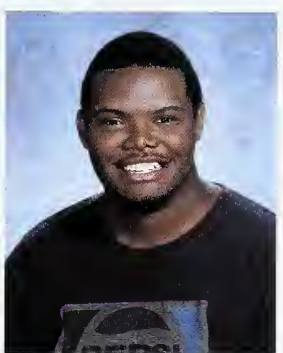
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Jael Melody Pembrick
Paul R. Perez III
Huiting Robinson*



*Jasmine Breona Sharpe
Caleb Warner Smith
India Smith
Kaitlyn Nicole Thompson*



*Raven White
Ashley Brooke Wiggins
Alexa Williams
Ashley Wood*



Malik Worrells

These ladies enjoy the activities and one another's company during Pembroke Day.

Freshmen walk across the bridge on their way to GPAC for Fall 2014 Convocation.

The hawk statue in front of the UC is a popular photo op for new students during Freshman Orientation.



*Paul Leon Anderson II
Joshua Gavin Arnold
Marjorie Barmore
Kimley Barton*

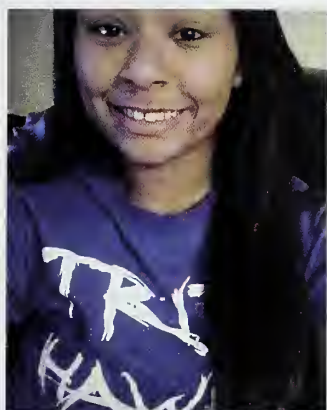


*Riley Gayle Baucom
Amelia Christina Brown
Rebekah Noel Bryant
Lacey Catherine Bullard*



*Megan Brooke Chavis
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"I love this university. My experience has been great."

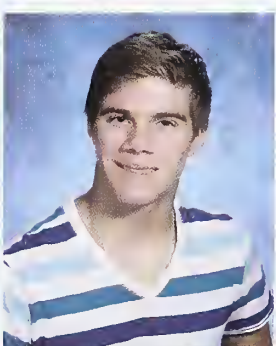
Amelia Christina Brown, a freshman from Dunn, NC, came from a "big and diverse family" of four kids; she has two sisters, 13 and 7, and a brother, 10, and parents who are "very proud of my accomplishments." She lived on campus in Oak Hall and liked hanging out with friends she has made and being able to get help there. A first-generation college student, Amelia said the most unexpected thing about college life was the amount of freedom that is given to you. She chose UNCP because of how close it is to home—but not so close—so she could feel the freedom of college life, and she said, "I love this university; I have never regretted coming here." According to Amelia, the services provided on campus are a great help: "Personally, the Writing Center has helped me the most. The students that work there are good at what they do!" Amelia was majoring in chemistry, which she "fell in love with instantly" in high school, with a pre-pharmacy concentration. She planned to continue her pharmacy studies at either Campbell or UNC Chapel Hill after receiving her undergraduate degree. Her favorite professor was Dr. Sivanadane Mandjiny, her advisor, who has helped her "tremendously" with class selections. "Also," she said, "how much he cares about the students really touches my heart." Amelia was employed at Cookout in Dunn but could only work there during the breaks. Her favorite activity is playing cards; she and her friends are always playing some sort of card game. She also participated in the Honors College intramural sports team, which she said "just introduces you to more fun and people on the campus." Lastly, Amelia said, "My experience has been great so far. And I hope that everyone else's experience is as great as mine has been!"



*Xavier Covington
Kashana Renee Crudup
Andrea Lashea Dickens
Sydney Evans*



*Danielle Carrie Fairley
Jessica Garcia-Hernandez
Condeaisha Galloway
Trey Timothy Grier*



*Paula Janell Hanchar
Louis Hargrove
Brian Antonio Haskins
Brice Heller*

*Samuel Huggins
Neveen Gamal Issa
Damond Jorney
Rebecca Kennerly*



*Seth Taylor Larson
Zi Lin
Jasmine Renee Lipato
Berti Nicole Locklear*



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Elizabeth Locklear
Kayla Locklear
Samantha Locklear*



*Jessica Markey
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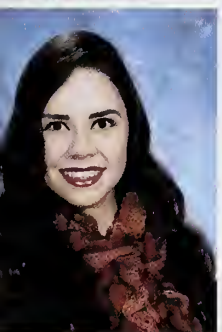
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Ryan Taylor
Seth Lawrence Tillman*



*Brigiett Toro
Jeison Jesus Valencia
Alaina Storm Wade
Asia Symone Wallace-Barthell*



*Elizabeth Ann Wessinger
Rebecca Oluwafeyisayo Wey*



*Lauren Mae Wise
Brittany Lynn Worley*

Provost Ken Kitts and his wife enjoy an event at the Chancellor's Residence in Fall 2014.



Chancellor Kyle Carter listens to feedback from student leaders during a Fall 2014 event.



Kyle R. Carter
Chancellor

Kenneth Kitts
Provost and Vice Chancellor
for Academic Affairs

Wendy Lowery
Vice Chancellor for Advancement



Richard Cosentino
Vice Chancellor for Finance
and Administration

John R. Jones III
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

William Gash
Senior Associate Vice Chancellor
for Academic Affairs





"I am excited about the challenges and opportunities ahead."

Nancy R. Crouch joined UNCP in Fall 2014 as Associate Vice Chancellor for Technology Resources and Chief Information Officer for the Division of Information Technology (DoIT). With 17 years of executive experience in higher education IT, Crouch came to UNCP from Wake Forest University, where she was most recently the deputy chief information officer. "UNC Pembroke is a school with a history and mission that inspires me, and an IT department poised for growth and leadership," Crouch said. "I am excited about the challenges and opportunities ahead. I am honored to join the team."

At Wake Forest, Crouch had wide ranging experiences, including community outreach and creating internship and mentoring opportunities for students with community and corporate partners, including IBM, Lenovo, Cisco, and the public schools. Off campus, Crouch represented Wake Forest on the Google EDU Think Tank and a Cisco roundtable of chief diversity officers and CIOs, as a grant evaluator for the National Science Foundation, and developing corporate case studies with leading technology companies. Of particular note is her extensive work with technology in teaching, learning, and research. Crouch's work also extended to the creation of new standards and processes for the help desk, computer repair services, and workplace issues.

"Nancy is an outstanding addition to our DoIT management team," said Dr. Rich Cosentino, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration. "She has the experience and capabilities to introduce technological solutions to many of our challenges and problems that we face. Additionally, Nancy is a strong advocate for faculty and student involvement in IT initiatives, priorities, and decisions."



R. Travis Bryant

Associate Vice Chancellor for Campus Safety and Emergency Operations



Nancy Crouch

Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Resources/CIO



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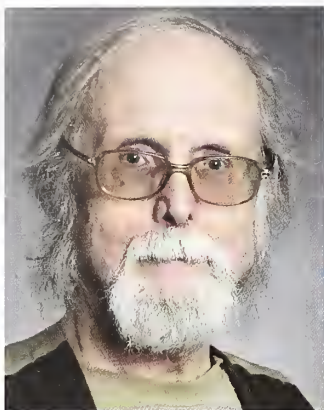
Lisa Lewis Schaeffer

Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs



Melissa Schaub

Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment



"A sense of what happens in the world really matters to us."

History professor Dr. Weston F. Cook Jr. received the 2014 Board of Governors' Award for Excellence in Teaching. Over the course of his 20-year career, the Middle East scholar has continued to captivate students and colleagues alike with his dynamic, compelling teaching style while enlightening them about the histories of the Ottoman Empire, India, Iran, Africa, Medieval Europe, Islamic civilizations, and the pre-modern and modern Middle East. "History is rooted in storytelling," Dr. Cook said. His lectures are designed "to give color and life to...the past on the

terms of those who lived it at the time...and meet the people of the past as people like themselves." Dr. Cook's intention is to give students "a sense that what happens in the world really matters to us," he said. "That is just one of the gifts of history—it illuminates." His teaching methods include extensive reading, map work, and critical interrogation of concepts and texts during classroom discussions. In all his courses, Dr. Cook demands that students "develop analytical capabilities that are critical to informed world citizens." He supports his students' progress at every step in their development: "I am willing to tutor, mentor, advise or help in any way I can, but you have to come see me."

Dr. Cook was a first-generation college student who joined the ROTC at the University of New Hampshire. After earning two master's degrees at the University Wisconsin-Madison, he went on active duty, eventually joining Defense Intelligence. A Ph.D. from Georgetown in Middle East/Islamic history in 1989 was followed by a stint teaching at West Point. In 1992, Dr. Cook retired from the Army as a lieutenant colonel, and he came to UNCP in 1994. "This is a wonderful department, and I love my colleagues," he said. "I love being in Pembroke, and it's wonderful to have a reward like this."

Jessica A. Abbott

Assistant Professor, Sociology and Criminal Justice

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Associate Dean, Graduate Studies and Research

Ben Bahr

Professor, Microbiology

Rebecca Berdeau

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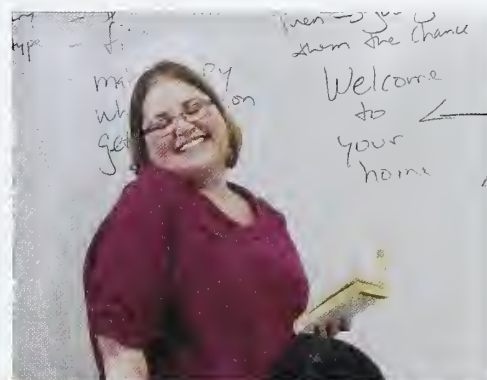
Thomas Heffernan

Lecturer, English





Dr. Jeff Geller speaks with a student at a Fall 2014 event (left), while Dr. Therese Rizzo shares a point with students during class (below).



Charles R. Jenkins

Professor, Education

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Lecturer, Chinese

Zoe Locklear

Dean, Education

Stephen Marson

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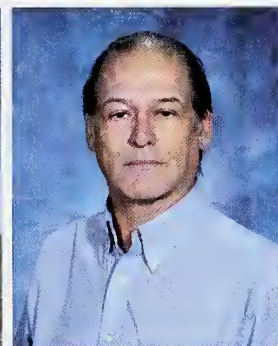
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Lisa Mitchell

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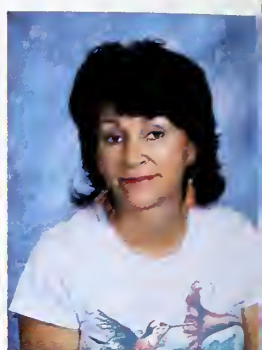
Housing Coordinator, Housing and Residence Life

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Tom Jackson

Associate CIO, DoIT



"I look forward to working with staff, faculty and students to ensure this is a safe campus environment."

Ronette Sutton Gerber was appointed UNC Pembroke's director of Title IX and Clery Compliance on September 8, 2014. In this role, Gerber will oversee the administration of policies, procedures and data collection to ensure UNCP's compliance with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 as it relates to gender discrimination, with particular emphasis on sports, employment and sexual harassment. She will also instruct and manage the university's compliance

with the Jeanne Clery Act, which requires an annual reporting and disclosure of campus crime statistics for all colleges and universities. "It requires a good understanding of the law, familiarity with university policy and the ability to work collaboratively with multiple constituencies," Chancellor Kyle R. Carter said. "Ms. Gerber brings all these skills to the table, and I'm pleased that she has accepted this new role."

Gerber, who previously served as associate general counsel for the university, will collaborate with various university departments to include Police and Public Safety, Student Conduct, Human Resources and Athletics. Her duties will also involve consultation with the Campus Judicial and Appeal Boards. "I'm excited about the transition from associate general counsel to director of Title IX and Clery Compliance," Gerber said. "Gender discrimination and sexual assault are important issues for this and all universities to address. I look forward to working with staff, faculty and students to ensure this is a safe campus environment that is free of these issues; a place where everyone can have enjoyable professional and academic experiences."

Ronette Gerber

Director of Title IX Compliance



Dean Jacobs

HVAC, Physical Plant

Donnie Locklear Jr.

Supervisor, Carpenter Department

Lawrence Locklear

Program Coordinator, SAIS

Debbie Lowery

Accommodation Coordinator, Disability Service



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Interim Asst. Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs

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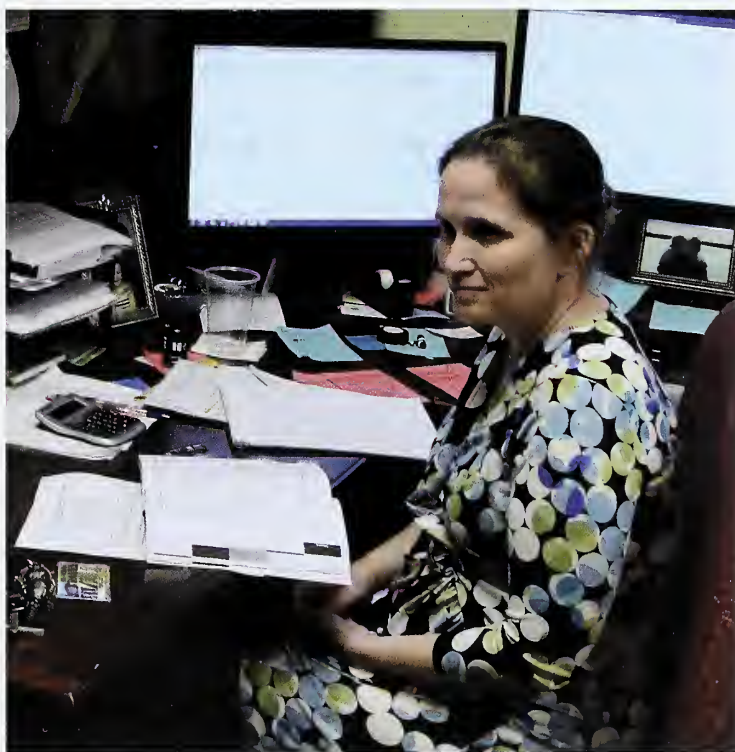
Interim Director, University Center and Program

Karen Swiney

Director, Bookstore

Preston Swiney

Director, Housing and Residence Life



This cafeteria worker provides service with a smile as he assists a student during one of the summer orientation sessions.

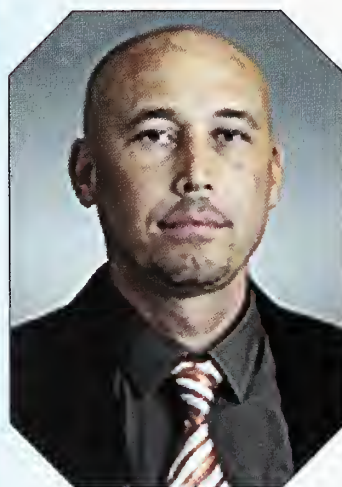
Beth Froeba is on hand in the Lowry Building to advise and support students in all aspects of their academic careers.

In Memoriam



Anthony Ray "Tony" Curtis. Professor of Mass Communication known to students as "Dr. Tony," died on January 23, 2015, after a short and sudden illness. He was born in Marietta, Ohio, and earned his bachelor's degree in Journalism and a master's degree in Political Science from The Pennsylvania State University and a Ph.D. in Mass Communication from The Union Institute and University in Cincinnati, Ohio. A long-time educator, he had been teaching in higher education since 1967, including at Penn State University, Ohio University, Salisbury University, The Union Institute and University, and Hood College before joining the UNCP faculty in 2002. At UNCP he received an Outstanding Teaching Award in 2012 and served as Chair of the Faculty Senate and as President of the Friends of the Library Board. As a journalist, he had worked for *The Herald* of Sharon, PA; *The National Observer*; *Popular Mechanics*; and as founding editor of *Modern Electronics*. Dr. Curtis had also worked in radio, television, and public relations

and was the founder of ARCsoft Publishers, a book publishing company specializing in computer and space science books. He wrote 72 books about computers, communications, space science, and astronomy. An FCC-licensed amateur radio operator since 1954, he was active in emergency preparedness. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Judy Curtis, and he will be remembered by his colleagues, friends, and the many students who valued his kindness and his ability to inspire hope, confidence, passion, and curiosity.



Steven Hunt, the Director of the Center for Academic Excellence, passed away on March 2, 2014, and we lost a valued member of the campus community. Mr. Hunt was a dedicated and driven employee of the university. He felt it was his personal mission to help students in any way he possibly could. He was an alumnus of UNCP, having received both his bachelor's and master's degree from this university, and at the time of his passing he was working on a doctorate in education. Mr. Hunt was also a veteran of the Iraq War, serving with the National Guard as a Captain. Before he joined the Center for Academic Excellence (CAE) as the Director in 2011, he had worked as a math teacher for Robeson County Schools and as a Lecturer for the UNCP Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. Mr. Hunt made it his mission to expand CAE and to serve students better. While the Center was well-known for its tutoring programs when Mr. Hunt became director, other programs like Supplemental Instruction (SI) were not as widely utilized. Mr.

Hunt made it a personal mission to expand SI and other CAE programs, including the Hawk Alert program, which allows instructors to notify CAE if a student is in danger of failing so that they can be referred to the appropriate resources for help, and Academic Resource Mentoring, which now serves over 300 students. He collected statistics from the various programs and used those to show how much CAE was helping students. He was an extremely passionate man who worked tirelessly for the benefit of others. He will be missed.



Jeffrey Kent Lucas, Associate Professor of History, passed away at home on March 1, 2015, after a hard-fought battle with cancer. He grew up in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Upon graduating from high school he enlisted in the US Air Force and served for 20 years, achieving the rank of Chief Master Sergeant. He had postings that took him all over the world. During his time in service he was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, and the Air Force Commendation Medal. He earned his bachelor's degree from Chaminade University in Honolulu, Hawaii, in 1987. He left the Air Force and settled in Waco, Texas, teaching middle school until 1999. In 2006, he earned a Ph.D. in Borderlands History from the University of Texas at El Paso and accepted a position in our History Department, where he taught Latin-American History, was the coordinator for the Undergraduate Social Studies Education program, and received an Outstanding Teaching Award in 2010. His department chair, Dr. Robert Brown, said about him, "Dr. Lucas's dedication to

his teaching, to his students, and to his colleagues is legendary. Students talk about how much help and encouragement he gave them." One of his students, Marcos Simon, said, "Dr. Lucas cared about each and every one of his students, and he held us all to extremely high standards. There was nothing he wouldn't do for us, and for that we are grateful." He is survived by his wife, Julie Lucas; two sons, Nick and Benjamin Lucas; a daughter, Bridgette Williams; a stepdaughter, Kyle Hatfield; two sisters, Sally Depreker and Jennifer Rajoppi; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.



Virginia Kay McClanahan, Professor and Chair of the Department of English, Theatre, and Foreign Languages, died on June 14, 2014, at her home in Laurinburg. Born in Arlington, VA, she received a B.A. in Theatre from St. Andrews Presbyterian College and worked for 15 years in Washington, DC, in trade association management. She earned an M.A. in Linguistics from American University and a Ph.D. in Linguistics from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Dr. McClanahan joined our faculty in 1999 as Associate Professor and Coordinator of Speech and ESL programs after returning to the United States from Korea, where she had spent twelve years teaching in the English Department of Yonsei University. Her research interests included the interaction of grammar and pragmatics in Korean and the importance of cultural identity as a factor in successful second language learning. Dr. McClanahan won an Outstanding Teaching Award in 2005 and was a strong presence in university governance, serving

on numerous committees and chairing the Faculty Senate; she was an active supporter of university institutions, including the Givens Performing Arts Center and the Friends of the Library; and she shared her mellifluous voice and stage presence with audiences large and small at many university and community events, including reading the name of each student who received a degree at UNCP commencement exercises. She is survived by brothers Bernard, Stuart, and Ronnie McClanahan; many nieces and nephews; and countless friends, colleagues, and students.

The students who were featured on the cover break their poses for a good laugh. From left to right, they are Sherry Jacobs, Divine Riechtkah, Justin Uleberg, Kameron Bradley, Mingyu Liao, Oscar Rodriguez, Rummy Pique, Rebecca McCarthy, Kyeesha Massey, and Alicia Mauldin. They represent the diversity of the campus.



We will look back with fond memories on our college days. UNCP has helped open up our eyes to the diversity of the world. We know, thanks to our time here, that diversity means something more than just the color of our skin. It means people's sexual orientation, religion, background, cultures, and so much more. We learned that no matter how weird we thought we were, we could find at least one person, if not a whole group, that was just as weird, or maybe even a bit weirder. Our days at UNCP taught or reinforced the true meaning of diversity.





Closing



Two international students attend a reception at Chancellor Carter's house.

The water feature and Lowrey Bell Tower are two well-known features in the quad.



Icicles hang from buildings and signs throughout the campus during the ice storms in February 2015.

Students from UNCP are at Converse College to represent the university as Algeria at the Model Arab League.





United

We may not have been the largest or most prestigious school, but we had something just as special. During our time here, we were rated constantly as the most diverse school in the South. That says a lot about our school and the people we interacted with here. UNCP was something else. It will leave a unique mark on each of us. Ready for it or not, from the first day on this campus we were introduced to this very unique institution. From the local Native American tribe to the students of the international program, it was not hard to see why we kept getting awarded that ranking. If you think back to your time here, you can probably remember all your friends of different races, creeds, religions, and more. This school gave us something no teacher can teach in a classroom. It taught us about diversity and united us in embracing it.

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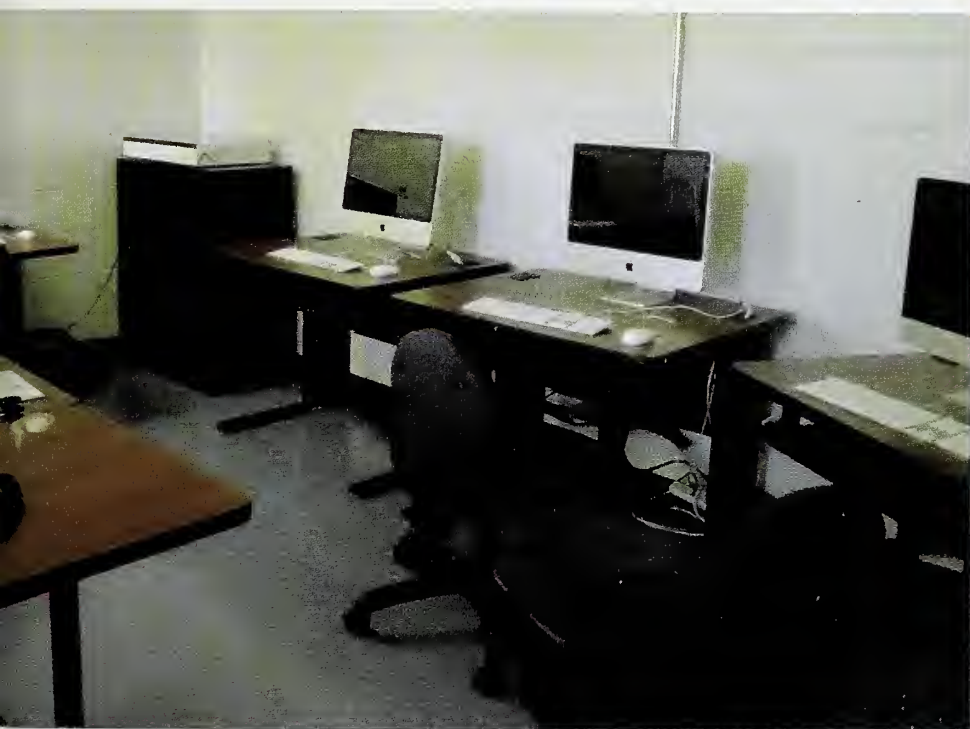
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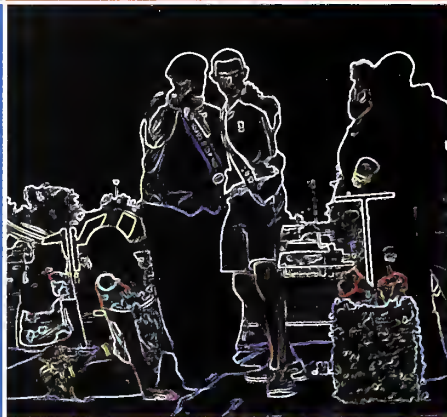
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